

RCD BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES OF  
OCTOBER 11, 2022

**CALL MEETING TO ORDER** – President Harry Lyons calls the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. Alma de Paredes will take the minutes.

**Directors Present:** Jim Bridges, Randy Krag, Harry Lyons, Shula Shoup, Merry Jo Velasquez

**Directors Absent:** None

**Others Present:** Alma de Paredes, Greg Dills, Will Evans, Laurie Hutchinson, Tracy Cline, Kate Schmidt-Hopper

1. **INTRODUCTIONS** - None
2. **PUBLIC INPUT - None** - Anyone may speak for 3 minutes on a subject not on the agenda; no action will be taken by the Board.
3. **SAFETY MEETING** – Earthquake Preparedness article.
4. **CONSENT CALENDAR: ACTION - APPROVE MINUTES of September 13, 2022, MEETING; APPROVE MINUTES of October 4, 2022, MEETING; ACCEPT MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT; APPROVE AND PAY BILLS.** Note: any item may be pulled from the consent calendar if requested by a Director or member of the public.

Motion to accept and/or approve the Minutes of the September 13, 2022, Board Meeting, the Minutes of the October 4, 2022, Special Board Meeting, Monthly Financial Reports, and Bills.

Motion to approve by Merry Jo Velasquez, Seconded by Randy Krag

Ayes: Jim Bridges, Randy Krag, Harry Lyons, Shula Shoup, Merry Jo Velasquez

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

5. **DISCUSSION**

**5.1 Pro Bono Mentoring from Megan McCluer.** Harry Lyons has been meeting with Megan McCluer for mentoring session once a week on Tuesdays. Discussions have included financing and long-term planning. Would like each director to join him and Megan on a rotating basis to discuss topics of interest of each Director.

**5.2 Weak Links**5.2 **Weak Links.** Phone system continues to be a “weak link” without voicemail access. Korinn Woodard has returned to the office and may assist in this effort. LCRCD’s bookkeeper presents scheduling challenges at quarter end.

**6. ONGOING PROJECTS – Roll Call on Annual Projects and Board Hosts.**

**6.1 Recruiting** - All - Efforts to recruit Directors and Associate Directors is ongoing.

**6.2 Meisenbach Scholarship** – Harry Lyons – Too early to discuss with high school and community colleges but is prepared to do so when the time comes.

**6.3 Invasive Weed Tour** – Randy Krag – Attended a Soil Conservation Board Meeting and learned that a new weed had been discovered.

**6.4 Field Days in the Creek** – Jim Davis is the host but not available at today's Board Meeting.  
Kate Schmidt-Hopper may assist with this project.

**6.5 Kids in the Creek** – Merry Jo Velasquez – Nothing to report.

**6.6 Trout in the Classroom** – Tony Blyleven – Needs assistance with this project.

**7. REPORTS/UPDATES**

**7.1 Lake County Fire Safe Council Report** - Laurie Hutchison – Is continuing work on the CWDG grant. Will send Harry Lyons the link to the website that contains the documentation. Is working on community outreach programs (Heroes of Health & Safety Fair) and actively looking for other community outreach opportunities. Collaborating with partners on grants, funding resources and outreach events. Promoting and updating the Fire Safe Lake website.

Tracy Cline updated the Board on a grant that the North Shore Fire turned in. It is a \$9.8M grant to that we can use for 18 CWPP projects in the North Shore area and as well as other areas not yet identified. The grant will be awarded to counties based on risk, income, and disasters in the area.

**7.2 NRCS Report** - Korinn Woodard – Is not available to present her report.

**7.3 Goats Rue Project** - Greg Dills – Contract has been signed and will submitted at the next Board of Supervisors meeting.

**7.4 Caltrans Revegetation Projects** - Greg Dills – Will send a budget as he soon as he has numbers from three local contractors that he has worked with or knows of. Needs to submit these numbers in an informal bid. The contract will have a 15% contingency against future inflation.

**7.5 Lake County Land Trust Wright Project** – Merry Jo Velasquez – The permitting process is underway. Will work with the Lake County Community Development Planning Department to contact the various stakeholders that need to be notified.

## **7.6 President/Director Reports**

**Shoula Shoup** – Yearly CARCD Conference in Folsom, CA. Anyone going?

**Randy Krag** – Participated in a Soil Hub Meeting. Participants discussed CDFA grant process and its inflexibility.

Hosted an AgVenture meeting at his ranch attended by two supervisors, the Deputy Director of Water Resource, and vintners. AgVenture mission is to educate public and community leaders on the importance of the agriculture within the county.

**Jim Bridges** – Nothing to report.

**Merry Jo Velasquez** – Nothing to report.

**Harry Lyons** – Nothing to report aside from his written report.

**8. NEW BUSINESS** – No new business.

**9. GENERAL DISCUSSION** - No action will be taken by the board. I will ask accountant to Scan and format financials so the reports can be read in portrait format.

**10. ADJOURNED AT 10:10 a.m.**

Motion to adjourn by Merry Jo Velasquez, Seconded by Shoula Shoup.

Ayes: Harry Lyons, Jim Bridges, Shoula Shoup, Merry Jo Velasquez, Randy Krag

Nays: None

Absent: None

Abstained: None

## **Addenda:**

Lake County Fire Safe Council Report for October 1, 2022

President's Report for October 9, 2022

SDRMA Safety Talk: Earthquake Readiness