



AGENDA
10AM December 8, 2020
via videoconference

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: President Harry Lyons called the meeting to order at 10:03AM.

Directors present: Victoria Brandon, Jim Bridges, William Lincoln, Harry Lyons, Shula Shoup, Merry Jo Velasquez

Directors absent: none

Others present: Greg Dills, Laurie Hutchison

1. INTRODUCTIONS: none needed

1.1 Consideration of extra Items not appearing on the posted agenda: none

2. PUBLIC INPUT: none

3. SAFETY MEETING: “Bloodborne Pathogens” conducted by Velasquez

4. APPROVE MINUTES

MOTION: Bridges moved and Velasquez seconded to **approve the minutes of the November 10, 2020 meeting**

Ayes: Brandon, Bridges, Lincoln, Lyons, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: none

Absent: none

Abstained: none

5. FINANCIAL REPORT

5.1 Monthly Report

MOTION: Brandon moved and Lincoln seconded to **accept the financial report**

Ayes: Brandon, Bridges, Lincoln, Lyons, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: none

Absent: none

Abstained: none

6. APPROVE & PAY BILL

MOTION: Shoup moved and Velasquez seconded to **approve and pay current bills**

Ayes: Brandon, Bridges, Lincoln, Lyons, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: none

Absent: none

Abstained: none

7. CORRESPONDENCE: none needing attention

8. ONGOING PROJECTS

8.1 Recruiting of Directors and Associate Directors

MOTION: Brandon moved and Lincoln seconded to **approve a letter of support for the appointment of Randy Krag to the District 3 vacancy** on the Board of Directors and authorize the President to sign

Ayes: Brandon, Bridges, Lincoln, Lyons, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: none

Absent: none

Abstained: none

- 8.2 Meisenbach Scholarship: Lyons will begin outreach to the schools in January
- 8.3 Invasive Weed Tour: the Covid situation might improve enough to make it possible to hold the event in May but it's too early to tell
- 8.4 Field Days in the Creek: seems unlikely to be possible
- 8.5 Kids in the Creek: seems unlikely to be possible
- 8.6 Trout in the Classroom: Tony Blyleven is working on it
- 8.7 CWPP update. Linda Juntunen is editing and condensing the current version, and Lyons is expecting to receive a contract from Somerfield Marketing to compose the revised version. May is the deadline for completion. In the meantime Lyons has been attending county Risk Reduction Authority meetings.

9. REPORTS/UPDATES

9.1 Lake County Fire Safe Council Report

- Worked with local FSC group to create a new county wide Fire Safe Lake website (www.firesafelake.org)
- Ordered new promotional handouts, postcards and stickers for the new website, along with products to hand out at future public safety events utilizing remaining grant funds from the UCCE sub award we were granted.
- Public outreach via social media for updates and info on various local fires, Covid 19 and PSPS events in the area.
- Continued coordination with the RRA Standing Committee on CWPP update project.
- Continuing work with local groups on different potential local events and opportunities adhering to Covid 19 restrictions.
- Gathering and compiling information on local resources and contact info for Firewise communities.
- Coordinated outreach efforts with local agencies- including promoting local events via social media.
- Looking into grant opportunities for more local event/project funding.

9.2 NRCS Report - Korinn Woodard not present

9.3 Eightmile Valley Project - Greg Dills. With Larry Ray he participated in a conference call with BLM staff about the remaining deliverables (As Built Drawings, Operations and Maintenance Plan, and Draft Final Report) for the 319(h) contract. All work must be completed by March 31, 2021, and no funds may be invoiced after April 30, 2021

9.4 Goats Rue Project - Greg Dills: the MOU with the county has been approved by County Counsel and should be agendaized for LCRCB Board approval in January

9.5 CalTrans Revegetation Projects - Greg Dills. the trees are dormant and the watering system put up for the season. The county wants a functional well by the end of January

9.7 President/Director Reports

- Lyons: working on CWPP: a recent CARB report says prehistoric fire frequency was greater than today. The Blue Ribbon Committee meets tomorrow. One of the properties the county needs to acquire for the Middle Creek wetlands restoration project has recently gone into escrow and another is about to do so.
- Velasquez: Paradigm Properties, the broker charged with facilitating the Middle Creek property acquisitions, started out working on 8 properties (nearly two years ago), not an impressive pace of work. They recently brought another company in to assist. In the intervening time at least one of the target properties has been sold to the Clear Lake Duck Club.

- Brandon: USFW recently made a determination that the hitch are not eligible for listing under the Endangered Species Act, partly based on misleading information and assumptions. Center for Biological Diversity may take legal action, and the new administration may reverse the position even without litigation.
- Bridges: will attend the upcoming meeting of the North Coast Collaboration group. He talked to CalFire who said they have been unable to collect locally-appropriate conifer seeds, partly because the 2018 Mendocino Complex fire destroyed so many of the source trees

10. OLD BUSINESS: none

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1 MOU with county on Trailside Park well. Our share of this project has been reduced to \$15K, to be funded from the existing CalTrans grant.

MOTION: Lincoln moved and Velasquez seconded to **approve the MOU with the County**

Ayes: Brandon, Bridges, Lincoln, Lyons, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: none

Absent: none

Abstained: none

11.2 Fiscal sponsorship request from Fire Safe Coordinator for Listos grant.

MOTION: Brandon moved and Lincoln seconded to **act as fiscal sponsor**

Ayes: Brandon, Bridges, Lincoln, Lyons, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: none

Absent: none

Abstained: none

12. GENERAL DISCUSSION: none

13. ADJOURN

MOTION: Velasquez moved and Brandon seconded to **adjourn the meeting at 11:13AM**

Ayes: Brandon, Bridges, Lincoln, Lyons, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: none

Absent: none

Abstained: none