



Tehachapi Resource Conservation District

Conserving and Enhancing Our Natural Resources and Environment

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Draft Minutes December 9, 2021

1. Meeting began at 10:24 am
2. In attendance: President Jeannine Giuffre, Director Ed Duggan, Director Julia Barraclough, employee Kit Foster; absent Director Cheryl Casdorff.
3. Board minutes of November 18, 2021: Dir. Barraclough made motion to approve the minutes, Dir. Duggan seconded; all ayes of board members present.
4. Public comment: no public in attendance
5. USDA-NRCS Report: Kit Foster reported on EQIP deadlines approaching; recent field visits to producers. Other NRCS FO staff were not available to attend. Pres. Giuffre commented regarding local producers' enthusiasm and hard work.
6. Financial Report: Dir. Barraclough reported on current balances; financial reports for November were not completed by accounting firm yet, will report in January 2022.
7. Old Business:
 - A. Pres. Giuffre reported on her phone conversation with Sierra Nevada Conservancy regarding Funding toward annexation. SNC said they want to work with us and may have funds to help in late 2022 since annexation area is in their sphere of interest.
Discussion regarding meeting with Supervisor Scrivner this month, Dir. Duggan will contact him.
 - B. Tier 1 CARCD: need policies and procedures in our manual along with other necessary items,
 - C. 2019 Grant expenditures: purchased the retractable banners and table cloths for outreach events. Discussed designing and purchasing shirts/hats/jacket for employee/directors, Kit will work on this project and present ideas to the board at a later date.
8. New Business:
 - A. NACD Friends of RCD's grant deadline was November 30, 2021. Discussed the need to work on deciding what project to request funds for and apply for the grant in 2022. Dir. Barraclough suggested to request funds to enable further work on the weed management plan and outreach meetings pertaining to it.
 - B. CARCD dues: current and renewing soon.
 - C. CARCD conference and registration: conference January 11-February 4, 2022, \$140 each for Kit and Pres. Giuffre. Dir. Barraclough made motion to add line item to budget for conference, Dir.

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Duggan seconded; all ayes of board members present.

D. Tree trimming: Dir. Barraclough moved to have the tree trimming done per estimate, Dir. Duggan seconded; all ayes of board members present.

E. High Desert Region meeting report: Pres. Giuffre reported on the meeting and tour of PG&E Groundwater clean-up activities; she and Kit attended on December 3, 2021.

9. Board Member Comments:

Pres. Giuffre reported that we will begin to work on the fuels project grant application that will open soon

Pres. Giuffre spoke to the BVS CSD manager regarding fire mitigation projects in the area.

Dir. Barraclough picked up mail at the Post Office, it was a KCTTC letter regarding properties in default that will be sold, KCTTC requested signature by TRCD since some properties are in our area.

Pres. Giuffre reported that the Desert Mountain RCD disbanded and the flail-vac harvester that was stored at their facility needed a new storage location. Pres. Giuffre offered the TRCD location as an option to the parties working on relocating it.

Pres. Giuffre discussed the need to get exterior flagpole strung with proper rope and attachments, high-lift equipment needed. We will ask if the tree trimming company can help us when they come to do the trees.

10. Meeting adjourned at 12:09 pm