

## **MINUTES**

### **June 9, 2022**

1. **Call to Order 10:03 am** by President Barraclough
2. **Roll Call:** Director Ed Duggan, Director Cheryl Casdorff, Director Julia Barraclough and staff Kit Foster. Absent: Director Jeannine Guiffre. NRCS: Arnelis Crespo, Public: Claudia Elliott, Tehachapi News.
3. **Minutes:** Director Duggan made a motion to approve Feb.10, 2022 minutes with changes in yellow. All Ayes. Director Duggan made a motion to approve March 12, 2022 minutes. All Ayes. Director Duggan made a motion to approve March 18, 2022 minutes. All Ayes. Director Duggan made a motion to approve March 30, 2022 minutes as amended.. All Ayes. Note: Meetings for March 12, 18 and 30, 2022 were deemed nonconforming with the Brown Act/CARCD Guidebook. It was recommended by Kern County Counsel that actions be redone. Director Duggan made a motion to approve the minutes for April 14, 2022 as amended. All Ayes. Director Duggan made a motion to approve May 12, 2022 minutes as amended. All Ayes
4. **Financial Report:** Director Barraclough is talking with Balancing Act into separating grant accounts for each grant. BA made a mistake on percentages in the last financial report and needs to redo the report. \$5770.00 in account TRCD account. . TA 2019 \$12, 200 extra was deposited to our account. Kit to print the email with the breakdown. Total in account with both grants is \$22,671.00. Director Duggan made a motion to approve final reports for Feb/March 2022. Percentages are incorrect and shown as crossed out to be investigated by accountant. All Ayes. Two more payments will be forthcoming for the grants. End of the fiscal year, Need new budget for 2022/23 for Kern County Auditor Controller. Action Item. Need a special meeting before the end of June. Meeting set for June 23, 2002 for Cal Fire Safety County Coordinator Grant, employee Contract and adopt an TRCD operating budget. Director Casdorff made a motion to hold a special meeting for those 3 items and other item that may come up before posting of the agenda. All Ayes.
5. **Public Comment.** Claudia Elliott, Tehachapi News said who reviews the TRCD email account. The President. She said that the TRCD board works hard for the District. She would like to offer her services and volunteer for projects.
6. **NRCS:** Arnelis Crespo presented the Civil Rights Policy Statement From USDA to

the Board. (Attached to these minutes). NRCS has lost many planners and short staffed. There is possibly 1.5 million dollars more in available money for contracts.

7. **Old Business:**

- a) **Tree and Plant Sale:** Postponed to next regular meeting.
- b) **NRCS grants:** For outreach possibly do a booth at home depot and tractor supply. Outreach can be charged to NACD grants. Other ideas: Mt. festival, farmers market.
- c) **LAFCO:** We contacted LAFCO for a better map of our area.
- d) **Weed Management :** Kern County prioritizes weeds, star thistle is not one of them.

8. **New Business:**

- a) New Grant for Fire county coordinator. Need to talk to Director Guiffre. Postponed til next meeting.
- b) High Desert Quarterly meeting. We are to host it. Need to plan. Maybe October? Put on August Agenda.

9. **Board Comments:** Director Duggan thanks Claudia Elliott for her comments and ideas for the RCD Board. Director Casdorff said the laptop in the office freezes and nothing works.

10. **Adjournment:** Director Casdorff made a motion for adjournment at 12:10 p.m. Director Casdorff Second. All ayes.