



Tehachapi Resource Conservation District

Conserving and Enhancing Our Natural Resources and Environment

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BOARD MEETING

Minutes for Meeting of October 13, 2022

1. **Call to Order:** At 10:05 am by President Barraclough
Roll Call: Present: Directors Duggan, Barraclough, Casdorff and Hammond. Absent Director Guiffre.
Public Present: Claudia Elliott. Cody Cain representing Agromin
2. **Changes to Agenda:** Motion to move agenda item 7(i) after new business. Director Casdorff made motion. All ayes.
3. **Public Comment:** None
4. **Minutes:** Director Duggan made motion to approve August 11, 2022 minutes as amended. All ayes.
Director Duggan made motion to approve September 8, 2022 minutes as amended. All ayes. Director Duggan made motion to approve September 15, 2022 minutes as amended. All ayes.
5. **Financial Report and Audit** Kern County did not process out Kern fund request in September. Director Barraclough caught it and called them. It will be fixed. Grant fund has \$8094. Kern Account has \$16,358.74. daily average. Checking has \$5381.20. Auditor sent over a list of requested items. Director Barraclough will be working on it and Director Casdorff said she would help.
6. **NRCS Report:** None.
7. **Old Business:**
 - a) Building Update. Director Guiffre did not have snow shovel. She also reported back that all items taken where hers to sell. Director Casdorff said to put repair of wall heater in office on next agenda for vote if more than \$200. TehachapiRCD.com is our domain emails. Gmail is through Go Daddy. Discuss at next agenda for a clean up day. Director Hammond will install new deadbolt on doors. Also rekey all doors after Nov 30th.
 - b) **Employee Contract:** Adjourn public session at 10:35 am. Open closed session. Adjourn closed session. Open public session at 11:00 am. Report: Employee has submitted resignation letter on 10/10/2022. Treasurer will review grant numbers and discuss moving forward at next meeting. Director Casdorff left meeting at 11:05 am. Quorum still valid.
 - i) Agromin: Cody Cain discussed how Agromin company is able to help jurisdictions comply with the procurement of compost and mulch required by SB1383. He explained how AB1985 clarifies a tiered approach to meet target goals by 2025 or fines will be retroactive. Agromin will allow jurisdictions the use of its platform for free whether or not they use Agromin's products. Currently, they are funding a pilot project in Ventura County to model how to be successful around the rest of the state.
 - k) Plant Sale Committee: Director Duggan made a motion to set up a plant sale committee, with Director Hammond as chair, made up of Director Casdorff, Alex Weiser and Cody Cain. All ayes.
8. **New Business:**
 - a) By-laws committee: Director Barraclough made a motion to set up a committee to draft new by-laws for the RCD to be made up of Directors Barraclough, Hammond and Cody Cain. All ayes.
 - b) Vacant Board Seats: Director Hammond made a motion to make a recommendation to the Kern County Board of Supervisors to reappoint Directors Duggan and Casdorff. All ayes. Director Duggan will look for old map of RCD boundaries on his computer since LAFCO is not getting back to us. Board members must meet State Code Division 9 qualifications.
- 9) **Board Member Comment:** None
- 10) **Next meeting:** Nov 10, 2022. 10:00 am
- 11) **Adjournment:** 11:50 am.