

**SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING**

Dave Wong's Restaurant
2828 W. March Lane, Stockton, CA 95207
Thursday, December 21, 2017, 11:00 am

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 11:05 am.

ATTENDANCE

Members of the Board present include Richard Rodriguez, Phil Balmat, John Herrick, Jack Hamm, Ruth Mulrooney (Coalition), John Thoming, Molly Watkins, Marden Wilber, Bill Koster, Ora Van Steyn (NRCS), Margaret Smither- Kopperl (NRCS), Shasta Burns (SJCRCD), Jennifer Spaletta (Spaletta Law), John Cain (American Rivers), and Steve Kritscher (Kritscher Associates).

MEETING AGENDA

A motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the November 19, 2017, the Special Board Meeting Minutes from November 29, 2017, and the Agenda for December 21, 2017, made by Mr. Hamm, second Mr. Herrick. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comments at this time.

TREASURER'S REPORT

A presentation of all bills received for the month. A motion to pay all invoices presented in the meeting packet and supplemental packet, with the addition of a Sediment Erosion Control Plan Binder reimbursement for Sarah Lucchetti, and a CRAE Meeting Reimbursement for Molly Watkins, made by Mr. Hamm, second by Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.

IRRIGATED LANDS REGULATORY PROGRAM

- A.** Financial Report – Monthly Financial statements were reviewed from the Board Meeting packet. A motion to approve and file all monthly financials with the addition of a late HydroFocus bill and to update Comcast Billing to monthly auto pay on the Coalition Debit card made by Mr. Hamm, second by Mr. Wilber. Motion passed unanimously.
- B.** Steering Committee – Steering Committee Minutes were reviewed by Ms. Mulrooney.
- C.** Membership Report – Ms. Mulrooney reported that the Regional Board is reaching out to Growers that have not turned in their Nitrogen Management Plans. Non-compliance will result in a monetary fine. Also, the Coalition is still receiving late payments.
- D.** Program Report – Ms. Mulrooney reported that the water has mostly been clean. No major reports have been made.
- E.** Sediment Erosion Control Plan – No report at this time.
- F.** Regional Monitoring Program – No report at this time.

NEW BUSINESS

- A.** Paradise Cut – John Cain from American Rivers and Steve Kritscher with Kritscher Associates briefed

the Board on the Borges Machado easement and the possibility of negotiating to an agreed upon price. Mr. Cain also reported on the Paradise Cut Independent Panel Easement Review and answers submitted and the future steps this project will take. The final report conclusion states that the flood easement will not change the Agriculture use on the Borges Machado property. Mr. Cain will be attending the Farm Bureau meeting in January on Land Use.

- B.** DWR Grant- No new updates at this time.

NRCS UPDATE

- A.** Ms. Smither-Kopperl reported that the PMC is wrapping up the best year they have ever had! The PMC hosted 5th and 6th graders from local elementary schools in Lodi for tours and projects. Ms. Smither-Kopperl also suggested a new agreement for Shawn Vue at the PMC that will be expiring in March of 2018. The PMC will also be hosting a cover crop training on March 14, 2018.

RESOURCES

- A.** Ag Commissioner's Report – No report at this time.
- B.** San Joaquin Farm Bureau Report –No report at this time
- C.** CRAE Report – Ms. Watkins reported on last months meeting attended. Ms. Watkins passed out a flyer from the Roundtable on Agriculture & the Environment.
- D.** RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator Report – Ms. Burns reported Watershed agreement will end at the end of December. Final invoicing will be submitted for reimbursement.

COMMUNICATIONS – General Counsel Spaletta reviewed the East San Joaquin Order changes and Draft Comments. No action taken at this time.

CLOSED SESSION – No closed session at this time.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting of December 21, 2017 at 2:14 pm, made by Mr. Balmat and second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for 12 noon at the NRCS- Stockton Service Center. 7585 South Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206