

SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING

San Joaquin County Farm Bureau
3290 North Ad Art Rd, Stockton CA 95215
Thursday, September 19, 2019- 12pm – 2pm

Minutes

CALL TO ORDER

Treasurer Phil Balmat called the meeting to order at 12:07 pm

ATTENDANCE

Members of the Board present include Richard Rodriguez, Phil Balmat, Marden Wilber, John Herrick, Jack Hamm, John Thoming, Molly Watkins, Bill Koster, Brandon Bates (NRCS-Stockton), Kay Joy-Barge (NRCS), Ruth Mulrooney (Water Coalition), Mike Wackman (Water Coalition), Tim Pelican (Ag. Comm.), Sarah Lucchetti (RCD)

MEETING AGENDA

A motion to accept the agenda for the September 19, 2019 meeting and editing the agenda to move the Irrigated Lands and NRCS update to the beginning of the agenda was made by Ms. Watkins and second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comments at this time.

MEETING AGENDA

A motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the August 15, 2019 meeting was made by Mr. Wilber, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

IRRIGATED LANDS PROGRAM

- A.** Financial Report- Monthly financial statements were reviewed from the Board Meeting packet and additional statements included in the supplemental packet. 1% of the membership dues was paid to the RCD for administration. A motion to approve and file all monthly financials with additional bills presented was made by Mr. Koster and second by Mr. Herrick. Motion passed unanimously.
- B.** Steering Committee- There is an increase in pyrethroid hits during water sampling. The pyrethroid Basin Plan Amendment came out last year and changed trigger limits which may cause the increase in current hits. Wackman stated that MLJ is working to develop a notification tool for growers that are within impacted areas when hits occur.
- C.** Membership Report- Ms. Mulrooney reported that the original contact list of 285 certified letters from the RB for non-compliance is now reduced to 8 outstanding members.
- D.** Program Report- Program managers report is included in the packet.

E. Regional Monitoring Report- No Report

NRCS UPDATE

- A. EQIP- Mr. Bates reported that they are still funding contracts
- B. Personnel- Mr Bates introduced himself to the Board. The new Cooperative Agreement between CARCD and the NRCS has been created, Mr Bates and Joy-Barge gave the Board a copy and discussed changes. The Board asked for time to review the document prior to signing. The Department of Conservation is no longer signing on with the partnership. A motion was made to send the document to Spaletta Law for review prior to the Boards signature by Mr Herrick and second by Mr Koster. Motion passes unanimously.

TREASURERS REPORT

All bills for the month were presented. A motion to pay all invoices presented in the meeting packet and the supplemental packet excel spreadsheet was made by Mr. Koster and second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

RESOURCES

- A. Ag Commissioner's Report- Mr. Pelican gave an update on the hemp ordinance that will possibly go into effect next month if approved. The chlyporifos working group meets in October.
- B. CRAE Report- Ms. Watkins attended the meeting and stated that the group will be drafting a letter to the governor.
- C. RCD Administrator- Ms. Lucchetti stated that dues for CARCD needed to be paid, CARCD recommended payment based on RCD non-grant income. A motion was made to pay CARCD \$300.00 for membership dues by Mr Balmat and second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously. Ms. Lucchetti has been working with Ms. Smither-Kopperl at the PMC on the filter strip project, the PMC asked that the Board pay for the required seed. A motion was made to pay for the required seed for the PMC demonstration filter strip by Mr Koster and second by Mr. Thoming, Motion passed unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Paradise Cut – Mr. Balmat and Mr. Herrick attended a meeting with American Rivers. American Rivers would like to move forward with the work.
- B. DWR Grant- Ms. Lucchetti reported that the RCD is still waiting on payment from DWR.

Communications

All communications were placed on the meeting table.

ADJOURN

A motion to adjourn the Board Meeting of September 19, 2019 at 2:12 pm was made by Mr. Hamm and second by Mr. Rodriguez. Motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District is scheduled for October 17, 2019 at 12 pm at the USDA Service Center 7585 S Longe Street, Stockton, CA 95206

