

San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District

Board of Director's Meeting

April 21, 2016

CALL TO ORDER President Richard Rodriguez called the meeting to order at 11:37 p.m.

ATTENDANCE Members of the Board present included Richard Rodriguez, Molly Watkins, Phil Balmat, and Bill Koster, Jack Hamm, John Herrick, Diego Olagaray, and Maren Wilber. Staff members and contractors present included Ora VanSteyn (NRCS), Margaret Smither-Kopperl (NRCS) Mike Wackman, Ruth Mulrooney, Shasta Burns. Guests present included Julianne Phillips (SJFB), Tim Pelican (Ag Commissioner), Jennifer Spaletta (Spaletta Law), Michael Johnson (MLJ-LLC), Melissa Turner (MLJ-LLC).

PUBLIC COMMENTS No public comments at this time.

MEETING AGENDA Motion to accept the Agenda and to move agenda items out of written order, made by Mr. Koster, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously. Motion to accept the regular meeting minutes from the March 17, 2016 meeting made by Mr. Hamm, second by Ms. Watkins. Motion passed unanimously. (For the purpose of the minutes, all Agenda items have been left and reported in order of Agenda listing, not in order of discussion of the meeting) The next Regular Scheduled Board Meeting will be held on May 19, 2016 from 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

DISCUSSION ITEMS A motion to spend \$100/month for a new storage unit facility for RCD belongings due to the NRCS office move made by Mr. Koster, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT Income and bills to be paid for both the RCD and Coalition were presented, along with current financial reports. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report and pay all late bills presented at meeting, including CARCD yearly dues of \$300 by Mr. Koster, second Mr. Hamm. Motion approved unanimously. A motion to give the new NRCS office location \$500 to purchase a new refrigerator made by Mr. Hamm, second by Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously.

NRCS UPDATE Ms. Smither-Kopperl gave an update on the Unauthorized Agreement Funding coming back to the RCD.

RESOURCES Ag Commissioner reported a meeting with Department of Water Resources was held on land use and Crop Surveying. This type of work has not been done since 1996. Cherry season has started and the area is starting to see cherries from the Bakersfield area in local packing sheds.

Ms. Watkins reported the CRAE Roundtable meeting update. Also attended the Bay Delta Meeting with Ms. Van Steyn in Dixon yesterday on behalf of the RCD.

The RCD Administrator/Watershed Coordinator reported that she has been working on monthly duties. An Excel spreadsheet of available funds for all NRCS Agreements and monthly standings are attached in the meeting packet for monthly review.

GRANT UPDATES No Grant updates at this time

NEW BUSINESS Kelsie Pombo presentation on the Durham Ferry Site in Tracy. Presentation available upon request.

IRRIGATED LANDS Coalition financials were reviewed. A motion to approve monthly financials from the Supplemental packet provided at the meeting made by Mr. Olagaray, second Mr. Koster, and approved unanimously. Mr. Wackman reviewed current Hydro Focus financials stating that the Coalition is currently over on the budget in this part of the cycle, but will even out and be under budget next cycle due to the Groundwater Trend Monitoring Program Reports. Mr. Wackman

reviewed the whole program again to the board for better understanding. The new 2016-2017 Proposed Budget was reviewed by Mr. Wackman, and Mr. Johnson from MLJ-LLC. All necessary information regarding the increasing budget line items were reviewed, and the consensus of using some of the Contingency Fund money will be used in the next year to keep balances in order. A motion to accept and properly move the 2016-2017 Coalition Financials with current dues and to take the remaining funds from the Coalition Contingency fund and yearly budget made by Mr. Hamm, second Mr. Koster. Motion passed unanimously. Steering committee reviewed changes in the new Proposed New Order for reporting purposes and cost. Membership continues to hold workshops to assist with Member's paperwork. An additional Nitrogen Management test was held yesterday at the Coalition office for anyone who was in need to retake. All reports have been mailed and Membership is now waiting for responses. Sarah Lucehetti's contract has been signed and filed at the RCD office and is available upon request.

CLOSED SESSION

Board entered into closed session at 1:11 p.m. No action taken at this time.

COMMUNICATIONS

Regional Board is stepping up their enforcement. PROGRAM REPORT A Brief Program Report was given about current invoicing from Michael L Johnson LLC.

ADJOURNMENT

The next meeting of the San Joaquin County Resource Conservation District Board is scheduled for Thursday, May 19, 2016 at the San Joaquin Country Resource Conservation District Office, located at the USDA Stockton Service Center, 3422 W. Hammer Lane Suite A, Stockton, CA. Adjourn meeting at 2:05 p.m. Motion by Ms. Herrick, second by Mr. Hamm. Motion Passed unanimously.