



MEETING MINUTES

NAPA COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Thursday

July 8, 2010

8:00 A.M.

District President: Clint Pridmore Vice President: Mitchell Klug

District Directors: Al Buckland, Don Gasser, Charles Slutzkin, Beth Painter, Rainer Hoenicke

District Manager: Leigh Sharp

District Secretary: Kathleen Edson

District Counsel: Susie Altman

1. CALL TO ORDER; ROLL CALL The regular meeting of the Napa County Resource Conservation District was called to order at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, July 8, 2010, by President Clint Pridmore. Other directors present included Mitchell Klug, Beth Painter, Don Gasser, and Charles Slutzkin. Associate Directors included Jon Kanagy, Randy Heinzen, Myrna Abramowitz and Gretchen Stranzl-McCann. RCD staff included Leigh Sharp, Kathleen Edson, Steph Turnipseed and Jonathan Koehler. NRCS was represented by Phill Blake and Kelly Gin. Napa County Counsel Susie Altman was present.

A. Minutes. A motion was made by Mitchell and seconded by Charles to approve the minutes from the June 10, 2010 board meeting. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

B. District Bills. A motion was made by Beth and seconded by Mitchell to approve payment of the batch in the amount of \$67,302.42 (\$25,172.53 RCD regular batch, \$3,212.00 Kaiser, \$236.25 phone bills, \$35,728.64 extra batch, \$0 preauthorization, \$2,953.00 journal entry). The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

3. EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

There was no Educational Presentation.

4. REPORT FROM DISTRICT MANAGER, DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST AND DIRECTORS

Lei Sharp, District manager reported on the following:

- 2010 Salmon Run was a success with nearly 240 registered participants.
- NSWG held a successful Hedgerow workshop in coordination with Xerces Society, NRCS and UC Berkeley. Approximately 70 vineyard management and landscape professionals and master gardeners attended the workshop.
- RCD and Carolyn Parr are sponsoring an all ages discovery workshop focusing on local pollinators. The event will be held at Carolyn Parr on Saturday, July 10 from 10 – 12.
- Huichica creek vineyard, at the recommendation of the Agricultural Commissioner and Nissen Vineyard Management was sprayed for European Grapevine Moth. No moths have been trapped in the immediate vicinity of the vineyard.
- The Rutherford Restoration Project has broken ground for this construction season. RCD and Flood District staff completed the annual monitoring and maintenance survey for the 4.5 mile river reach – identifying maintenance needs and documenting the condition of the reach.
- Development of a farm plan TMDL compliance program is underway in coordination with other RCDs, NRCS, Sonoma Ecology Center ,UC Cooperative Extension and vineyard industry interest groups.
- Jonathan Koehler will be the recipient of the “Friends of the Farm Bureau” Award which will be given at the Farm Bureau’s Annual Dinner on July 16. We’re very proud of the work that Jonathan has done for the RCD and also recognize the leadership of the Board.
- Fiscal Year 2009/10 has ended and RCD staff has initiated the process of closing the finances for the year. Things are proceeding smoothly.

Phill Blake, NRCS District conservationist reported on the following:

- Phill discussed the NRCS European Grapevine Moth initiative. Over 100 requests for assistance in Napa County, and about 30 applications so far. Phill expects that those applying for this program will also be able to take advantage of the 2011 regular EQIP program for Napa County, for both pesticide spraying and pheromone mating disruption practices.
- Eticuera Creek- NRCS is working on plans and designs for the state-funded restoration grant for lands along Eticuera Creek in NE Napa County. Lots of challenges, but some good potential rewards in designing a plan that integrates private grazing use coupled with restoration work.
- NRCS completed wetland mapping on the Gamble "Borrow Pit" property along Silverado Trail. The land is under consideration for spreading of excess soil spoils from the Rutherford Dust project construction. This mapping provides the Gambles with

specific information on where spoils can be spread, without filling existing seasonal wetlands.

- NRCS participated in a day long field meeting to examine progress in establishing native habitats along the southern portion of the Napa River Flood Management project. Phill reported EXCELLENT results in the establishment of plants and wildlife habitats on hundreds of acres of land, from the southern crossing to 3rd St in downtown Napa.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR A motion was made by Charles and seconded by Beth to approve the item on the consent calendar. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

A. RCD Activity Report for June.

6. DISCUSSION OF ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

7. OLD BUSINESS

No Old Business

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Authorization for President to sign professional service agreement with Winzler and Kelly for final design, environmental review, and permitting related to the Zinfandel Lane Bridge Fish Passage Project. Leigh

A motion was made by Beth and seconded by Don to authorize the President to sign the professional service agreement. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

B. Authorization for President to sign Right of Entry for Construction Agreements to complete road improvement projects in the Sulphur Creek watershed. Leigh

A motion was made by Don and seconded by Mitchell to authorize the President to sign Right of Entry for Construction Agreements for . The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

i. Right of Entry for Construction Agreement with Cain Vineyards.

A motion was made by Don and seconded by Charles to authorize the President to sign a Right of Entry for Construction Agreement for Cain. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

ii. Right of Entry for Construction Agreement with Hoffman Institute.

A motion was made by Charles and seconded by Beth to authorize the President to sign a Right of Entry for Construction Agreement for Hoffman Institute. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

iii. Right of Entry for Construction Agreement with Learned Perry.

A motion was made by Beth and seconded by Don to authorize the President to sign a Right of Entry for Construction Agreement for Learned Perry. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

iv. Right of Entry for Construction Agreement with Michael Marston.

This item was pulled from the agenda and will be brought back at a future Board meeting.

v. Right of Entry for Construction Agreement with Stockton.

This item was pulled from the agenda and will be brought back at a future Board meeting.

C. Approval to dispose of used RCD computers. Kathleen

A motion was made by Mitchell and seconded by Beth to authorize disposal of the computers. The Board expressed a preference that the computers be donated rather than recycled if possible. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

D. Appoint a representative from the RCD Board to serve on the Watershed Information Center & Conservancy (WICC) board.

Beth nominated Mitchell Klug to be appointed to the Watershed Information Center & Conservancy Board. Don seconded the nomination. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

E. Authorization for District Manager to sign 2010 Multi-County agency Biennial Notice stating that no amendments necessary. Kathleen

A motion was made by Charles and seconded by Mitchell to so authorize. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

E. Update on Bay Delta Meeting.

Leigh provided an update on the CARCD Bay-Delta Regional meeting. The Bay-Delta Region is seeking an employee from a Bay-Delta Region RCD to become a secretary for the group to help with meeting coordination and minutes. Staff may bring this item to a future Board meeting for further discussion.

G. Correspondence

- 1. SDRMA Annual Report**
- 2. Get to Know your Pollinators workshop announcement**

3. **California Counties Magazine**
4. **BayLetter –Newsletter from the Bay Institute**
5. **California Forests**
6. **California Sustainable Winegrowing Alliance**
7. **California Special District Magazine**

9. **CLOSED SESSION:** No.

10. ADJOURNMENT A motion was made by Mitchell and seconded by Beth to adjourn the meeting at 9:07 a.m. The vote was unanimous. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Edson, District Secretary