

MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (MCRCD)
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
MINUTES

Date: Wednesday, November 3, 2021 @ 2:00 PM

Location: Conference Room at the Ag. Commissioner's Office 5009 Fairground Rd.
Mariposa, CA 95338

Directors present: David Mecchi, John Carrier, and Lyle Turpin.

Directors absent: None.

Associate directors present: Wayne Kelly.

Associate directors absent: None.

Staff present: Melinda Barrett, Vicky Cole.

Guests: None.

Call to order: 2:00 PM by MCRCD Board President David Mecchi.

Public communication: None.

Minutes: (M) John Carrier to approve October 2021 Minutes with the correction on staff reports, IRWMP verbal report submitted by Vicky should say verbal report submitted by Melinda. (S) Lyle Turpin. No discussion followed. Ayes: Lyle Turpin, David Mecchi, John Carrier. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Correspondence: 1) Received by email from CARCD. November dates & Delegate Credential Needed. John Carrier is going to be the MCRCD delegate to attend the meeting and participate in the voting.

Information Items and/or Special Guests: None.

Staff reports:

IRWMP: Verbal report submitted by Melinda.

MCRCD: Verbal report submitted by Vicky.

Directors Reports:

Lyle Turpin: Lyle talked the water level on Lake McClure, we got some rain and that helps. Another subject was the Mariposa Gazette's article about Marshall Long – BOS got fined because 700 form. Lyle asked Vicky to verify if he's current with his forms and she's going to mail him copies of those. The Board explained to Wayne all the laws and regulations that they have to follow.

John Carrier: John said that he doesn't have anything important to report.

David Mecchi: David reported the usual, signing documents and he mentioned that after the meeting he will go to perform an erosion control inspection.

Wayne Kelly: Wayne reported that before the meeting he was coming from a funeral in Turlock. A friend passed away from Covid- 19, he didn't get vaccinated and his son mentioned to Wayne that was one of the worst deaths. Wayne recommended that if anyone has a friend or family member who has not been vaccinated, suggest that they do so.

Future Agenda Items: Executive Director edited Job Description.

Subcommittee Reports:

Personnel: None.

Finance: Vicky said that we don't get any balances report or activity listing from the Auditor's office yet. Also she mentioned that 826 account wasn't open on the new accounting software. The main issued on the financials is that 811 Bootjack account is on red numbers. We're waiting for reimbursements from DWR, WCB1, and WCB2.

Grants: DWR opened up two new grants, water grants. Melinda is working with the county for the Coulterville system. She mentioned that is the third time that this project falls apart. She also is working on a supplemental grant for Bootjack; Desiree Ramirez said we should apply. This grant is for all over budgets and time for Public Works, they spent already the staff time. Melinda spoke of all the problems that have arisen in this project, economic and basically of the obstacles that the public works staff generates. John suggested that they have to set up a meeting with Public Works, some of the Board of Supervisors and us to let them know all the issues generated for Public Works staff and that we will not be able to work for the future projects to which David Mecchi agreed with John. David also commented that we won't put our name on the future projects. John Carrier mentioned that this entire situation reminds him the Coulterville situation, the project fells out several times because they don't know how to do the job. Melinda said that she's happy to have Smith Construction on board because they have the knowledge to point out the corrections that the project needs.

Forestry & Fuels Management: None.

Plant Sale: None.

Policy: None.

Financial Reports: See at Finance subcommittee.

Unfinished Business: None.

Action Items:

Appointment of Melinda Barrett as MCRCD Executive Director. (M) John Carrier. (S) Lyle Turpin. Ayes: John Carrier, Lyle Turpin, David Mecchi. Nays: None. Motion Approved.

Appointment of Wayne Kelly as MCRCD Director. (M) John Carrier. (S) Lyle Turpin. Ayes: John Carrier, Lyle Turpin, David Mecchi. Nays: None. Motion Approved.

Discussion: BOS presentation- Melinda said because we are partners we don't have to get on the Agenda. She's going to prepare a power point presentation that will include Pat's chart with all the numbers that RCD generated for the community.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM. (M) Lyle Turpin, (S) John Carrier. Ayes: John Carrier, Lyle Turpin, David Mecchi. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Submitted by: Vicky Cole

Date Approved: 01/05/2022

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MCRCD Mission Statement

The mission of the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District is to encourage and facilitate cooperative solutions to local resources conservation issues and projects. By providing leadership, the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District works with all stakeholders to find solutions that conserve the basic natural resources of Mariposa County. To further this aim, the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District provides technical assistance to landowners, carries out informational activities, seeks and implements grants and other funding sources, and develops cooperative alliances with other agencies and community organizations.