

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

**Date:** Wednesday, April 6th, 2022 @ 2:00 PM

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

**Directors present:** John Carrier, Lyle Turpin and Wayne Kelly.

**Directors absent:** David Mecchi.

**Associate directors present:** None.

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**Staff present:** Melinda Barrett, Vicky Cole.

**Guests:** None.

**Call to order:** 2:00 PM by MCRCD Board Vice President Lyle Turpin.

**Public communication:** None.

**Minutes:** (M) Wayne Kelly to approve March 2022 Minutes. (S) John Carrier. No discussion followed. Ayes: Lyle Turpin, Wayne Kelly, John Carrier. Nays: None. Motion approved.

**Correspondence:** 1) Received by mail a California Preliminary Notice for Bootjack Water Tank. 2) Received by mail from United States Department of Commerce U.S. Census Bureau. 2022 Census of Governments, Surveyor Public Employment & Payroll. 3) Mariposa Public Utility District. Notice to Subject and Interested Agencies – Mariposa Public Utility District Sphere of Influence / Service Area Boundary Amendments, requesting comments. 4) Received from SDRMA. Re: 2022-23 Workers' Compensation Renewal Estimate.

**Information Items and/or Special Guests:** None.

**Staff reports:**

**IRWMP:** Verbal report submitted by Melinda.

**MCRCD:** None.

**Directors Reports:**

**Lyle Turpin:** Lyle talked with a lady from the Farm Bill about sponsoring a ranch camp, The Board voted to zero out the Donation account today but for next meeting we will transfer money if we need it.

**John Carrier:** John said that he didn't have anything important to report but he wanted to comment that we will probably have another dry season.

**David Mecchi:** None.

**Wayne Kelly:** Wayne talked about the Whispering Oak lake project that Melinda is helping him. Melinda mentioned to him that today we got the CEQA and he answered, throw it away. He said that they had a first place to deposit the settlement and this person changed his mind. Then he found another place and now this person also canceled. He made a joke saying that he's one of these hiccups guys that is learning as he goes. Wayne asked Melinda if he can revise the existing permits and she answered no. Wayne said that they are in the process to getting an environmental firm who originally gave him the report to do a new environmental report with the total amount of settlement, he thinks that probably are around 50,000 yards. Also this company has the information of an "Approved Site" for the disposition of the settlement. Another idea he has is to go to the Farm Bureau and place an ad in the newspaper or media offering to pay whoever accepts the settlement, but they have to take at least 10,000 yards. Melinda advised him saying that is easiest if he try to get the permits on phases and not a big area because it takes longer and they review more. She said he can get a permit for each phase separately. At

the end of the discussion Melinda suggested to Wayne to get a letter from the place with approval to accept the settlements saying that they going to accept the settlements and probably he will get the approval to change the location.

### **Future Agenda Items:**

### **Subcommittee Reports:**

Personnel: None.

Finance: None.

Grants: Melinda talked about site visit in Wawona with all the proposers. Several were presented but she does not know if all are going to propose. Melinda said that it's a complicated project because YNP has so many rules to protect the land. About the Bootjack Tank, she said that basically we spent all the grant money. So the remaining expenditures Public Works is going to pay but us still waiting for them to request more money for the project to the BOS, around 65 or 70 thousand dollars. We're still waiting for PGE also, they are coming April 19. Melinda is hoping that this project will be done by May. Wayne Kelly suggested that once the project is finished, to hold a board meeting there. About FEMA tanks, Melinda commented that they had kickoff meeting, Melinda said there are three things with that project, and it took so long to award the project that now we only have 28 months left before the due date. Second, prices have increased drastically since the application was submitted in 2019 and 3<sup>rd</sup>, we original submitted 38% for match time but you only have to submit 25%. She asked if we could change it and she told her that it doesn't matter, we are required to submit payroll reports. Public Works was afraid to say to Melinda that they want to do the managing of the grant but Melinda told them that makes more sense for they to do all of it and if they need help, always she can helps them as an consultant as they need it. Melinda hopes that Public Works could finish all the work faster than 30 days because if PW takes long time probably won't get it.

Forestry & Fuels Management: None.

Plant Sale: None.

Policy: None.

**Financial Reports:** See at Finance subcommittee.

**Unfinished Business:** None.

### **Action Items:**

Re send the vote for Minutes from March 2nd, 2022. (M) John Carrier. (S) Wayne Kelly. Ayes: John Carrier, Wayne Kelly, Lyle Turpin. Nays: None. Motion Approved.

To Approved the Minutes from March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022. (M) John Carrier. (S) Wayne Kelly. Ayes: John Carrier, Wayne Kelly, Lyle Turpin. Nays: None. Motion Approved.

To Re send the Approval for Updated Financials FY22. (M) John Carrier. (S) Wayne Kelly. Ayes: John Carrier, Lyle Turpin, Wayne Kelly. Nays: None. Motion Approved.

To Approve Updated Financial FY22. (M) John Carrier. (S) Wayne Kelly. Ayes: John Carrier, Wayne Kelly, Lyle Turpin. Nays: None. Motion Approved.

Zero Out Accounts & Transfers: 805-Demo Garden, 809-Donation Account, 818-Water Use Efficiency. (M) John Carrier. (S) Wayne Kelly. Ayes: John Carrier, Lyle Turpin, Wayne Kelly. Nays: None. Motion Approved.

**Discussion:** None.

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

Submitted by: Vicky Cole

Date Approved: 05/04/2022

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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.