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# Siskiyou County, California

# **MINUTES**

Summarized **MINUTES** from the Board of Directors' Regular monthly meeting of the Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District, in Yreka, California, on Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

This meeting was conducted as a live in-person meeting with remote access for those who wished to attend via Zoom. The location for the meeting was the Siskiyou Economic Development Council conference room, 1512 S. Oregon Street; Yreka, CA.

Directors Present: Ryan Walker, Bill Hirt. Zack Salvestro, Jay Perkins, Mike Luiz. (all in person)

Directors Absent: None

Associate Directors: None

Staff Present: Ayn Perry, Rod Dowse, Ethan Brown

Guests: Alisa Scholberg (contract bookkeeper); Jim Patterson, NRCS, Nick Joslin, MSBEC, Morgan Knechtle,

CDFW.

# **Call to Order**

After a quorum was established, the meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm by Chair Walker.

# **Review and Approval of Agenda**

The agenda was approved by common consent.

Introductions None needed.

Public Comment: None.

<u>Presentation:</u> Morgan Knechtle, Senior Environmental Scientist Specialist with CDFW; presented a very interesting PowerPoint and discussion on the Status of Adult Chinook and Coho Salmon in the Shasta River. He presented information on the three coho cohort returns; cohort 1- 48, cohort 2- 37 and cohort 3- 53. He stated that there is intrinsic potential for spawning and that small improvements can make a difference. He urged the SVRCD to keep doing the good work. Coho and Chinook returns may be impacted by dam removal. Moving the hatchery to Fall Creek, more natural flows and sediment regimes and the possible reduction of the endemic *C. shasta* infection area near Beaver Creek are all of keen interest to our local and regional fisheries communities. For more information contact Morgan at Morgan.Knechtle@wildlife.ca.gov.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

ACTION: Approve Minutes for February 8th, 2023. MOTION: Hirt, SECOND: Salvestro. Approved by Voice Vote: AYES: Salvestro, Hirt, Walker, Perkins, Luiz Noes: None Abstentions: None Motion Approved

# **Financial Report**

Scholberg presented the SVRCD Financial Report for review and action. She reported that as of March 10, 2023, the SVRCD has Accounts Receivable of 209,916.92. Assets of \$627,300.75, Liabilities \$79,609.10 Ordinary Income of \$154,773.05, Interfund Cash of \$298,985.39. *ACTION*: Approve Financial Report. *MOTION*: Hirt SECOND Salvestro; Approved by Voice Vote: AYES: Hirt, Walker, Salvestro, Perkins, Luiz, NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None. *Motion Approved*.

#### **Ratify Payroll**

Scholberg reviewed the payroll for February 2023 in the amount of \$21,382.13. **ACTION:** Approve Payroll. **MOTION:** Perkins, **SECOND:** Luiz, **Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Hirt, Salvestro, Perkins, Luiz, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved.** 

#### **Approval of Bills**

Scholberg presented the February bills for review and approval. Warrants for \$120,386.50, submitted for approval. *ACTION:* Approve Bills for Payment. *MOTION:* Luiz, *SECOND:* Salvestro, *Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:* Walker, Hirt, Salvestro, Perkins, Luiz, *NOES:* None; *ABSTENTIONS:* None. *Motion Approved.* 

Overhead:	\$31,649.29
US Bank	\$2,831.75
US Bank	\$14,495.10
US Bank	\$908.68
Alisa Scholberg Bkkpg	\$1,900.00
Cal Ore Comm	\$104.00
Streamline	\$10.00
Sean Evangelista	\$30.00
Principal	\$323.90
Blue Shield of CA	\$2,292.86
Smith & Newell CPA	\$8,753.00

**Grant Invoices:** \$88,737.21 GS Black \$88737.21

**Budget Transfers: None** 

Approval of Donations Received: None

Correspondence: None

# **Business** – Discussion and Possible Action

03.1- Officer elections: Ryan Walker was nominated for Board Chair, Bill Hirt was nominated for Vice Chair. Their terms are for 1 years. *ACTION:* Approve nominations. *MOTION:* Hirt, *SECOND:* Salvestro; *Approved by Voice Vote:* AYES: Luiz, Walker, Hirt, Salvestro, Perkins NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None. Motion Approved

03.2- Resolution to accompany the latest Cal Fire Grant Application. RESOLUTION NO. 23-001 to support the California Climate Investment Fire Prevention Grant Program application. *ACTION:* Approve Resolution 23-001. *MOTION*: Luiz; *SECOND*: Perkins; *Approved by Voice Vote*: *AYES*: Walker, Hirt, Salvestro; Luiz, Perkins *NOES*: Noe; *ABSTENTIONS*: None *Motion Approved*.

#### **Staff and Project Reports**

Dowse and Brown gave project updates. Dowse gave an update on our Horse Creek project. Brown updated the Board on the PCR additional funding and work, a possible tour, monitoring equipment ordering and grant writing.

**Board members Reports:** Walker mentioned new drought mitigation funding for stock water through CDFW and a BOR tour he attended.

# Other Agency/Group Reports:

Patterson gave a brief update. There is new IRA (Inflation Reduction Act) funding that will be challenging to take advantage of due to the Yreka Field Office staffing level. There is also CIG, EQIP AND Stewardship CSP funding in the pipeline. A NRCS NorCal Wetland Team Engineer, Rachael Nagelkirk, (replacing Bo Hands), is working out of the Yreka Field Office.

Closed Session: None

# Meeting Adjourned -

The meeting was adjourned at 7:37pm by Chairman Walker.

Next Meeting: April 19th.

# **Future Agenda Items:**

Long Range Plan/Board Fall Retreat

Invite Chrystal Robinson CDFW to a meeting

Invite Eli Scott to a meeting to discuss the Shasta River TMDL waiver update for April 2023.

Minutes submitted by Ayn Perry on 3/23/2023

Minutes approved as typed as corrected.
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Chairman
March 15, 2023
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District Administrator