



Tulare County Resource Conservation District

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19 August 2015

Board Meeting Minutes

Directors Present: Walt Bentley, Scott Powell, Stan Noble, Warren Hutchings, Larry Schwankl
Staff: Teri Van Huss
Fire Safe Council: Bob Puls
NRCS: Joe Williams

The meeting was called to order by Warren at 12:20 p.m.

Review minutes: The minutes were reviewed from 9/9. Stan moved to approve, Walt seconded. Aye vote ensued.

Financial Report: Financial report for 9/9/15 was reviewed. Warren moved and Walt seconded to approve the financials. Aye vote ensued.

New Business:

Johnsondale FB: Mod. 4 has been presented to us for an additional \$1,970, in addition to Internal Mod #3 which recovered the \$13,083. Scott moved and Warren seconded. Aye vote ensued.

Sworn in: Larry took the Oath

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act – Bob reported there has been media reports from the Fresno area about this issue. Bob feels that some of the irrigation districts are still not fully understanding what's happening. Scott commented that the districts in Fresno County are already working together and being pro-active. Stan and Bob will continued to attend the meetings in their areas.

Updates

CARCD Conference – Warren is encouraging Board to go – the RCD will reimburse the registration and one night's lodging.

Cal-Fire Tulare County Chipper Days – Willow Springs will have community cleanup in October, we've completed Poso, receiving a letter of thanks.

CDFA Water Efficiency grants: All invoices are now paid. Round #3 is still be analyzed and we would be contacted if there are projects in our area. There is potential for a Round #4.

California Department of Fish and Wildlife – There has been a requested from Neil for a delay project. Warren will talk to him since this is the first request under this grant.

People's Garden: Teri reported much less water used due to end of season. Winter planting will start soon.

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NRCS: EQIP has 200 contracts signed for about \$8 Million, another 83 in process, next deadline is Sept 18th. Bonnie says Point Blue will be presenting at the CARCD conference.

Public Comment Period:

Sarah Weaver reports talked about the Shaver Lake fuel reduction demonstration to be held on October 9th (Bob has info also). She is looking for the location of extreme gauges so she can map who is monitoring water in our area. She says they'll have another round of grants for next March.

Correspondence:

Meeting Adjourned at 1:44 p.m. Next meeting is October 14th.

Respectfully submitted, Teri Van Huss