



DECEMBER 2014– REGULAR MEETING MINUTES—approved 01/15/2015

Regular Board Meeting, Thursday, December 18, 2014, 11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Directors Present: B. Jefferson, R. King, M. Duflock, E. Paddock, B. Plemmons, P. Binsacca (Associate)
 Directors Absent: L. Ferrasci, J. Devers
 Others Present: P. Robins (RCDMC), R. LaFleur (NRCS)
 Recorder: P. Robins

<u>Time</u>	<u>Agenda Topics</u>	<u>Presented by</u>
10:10 A.M.	<u>Call to Order</u>	<u>B. Jefferson</u>
	<u>Comments from the public</u>	
	None.	
	<u>President's and Directors' Comments</u>	<u>Directors</u>
	None.	
	<u>Minutes for September Meeting (Review for Approval)</u>	<u>P. Robins/Directors</u>
	Minutes from the November 20, 2014 Meeting were presented and reviewed. P. Binsacca noted that he had not been present at the meeting and reference to him adjourning the meeting should be changed to B. Jefferson doing so. R. King moved to approve the September 2014 meeting minutes with that change; E. Paddock seconded the motion for approval of the modified minutes; A 5-0 vote of directors present approved the motion.	
	<u>NRCS Update</u>	<u>R. LaFleur</u>
	R. LaFleur noted NRCS is using a new method for screening and funding applications. 31 have been received to date, similar to past years.	
	<u>Budget and Finances (Review & Approval)</u>	<u>P. Robins/Directors</u>
	<i>Monthly Financial Statements and Bills:</i> P. Robins presented the financial statements regarding Accounts Receivable, Payables and Bank balances for the period ending December 18, 2014. The accrual account balance on December 18 was \$ 163,545.76, with \$8,060.22 in the Chase Bank and County Treasury accounts (taking into account checks to be signed at the meeting), \$243,581 in liabilities, and \$399,066.45 due to the RCD as receivables from various grants and outstanding invoices. By comparison, the Accrual accounting balance for District Funds stood at \$ 178,759.60 on November 20, 2014.	
	P. Robins presented the list of detailed expenses to be paid in December including bi-weekly salary through December 14, one-time and recurring miscellaneous expenses and reimbursement for expenses incurred during the month of December. Approval for the December financial statements and for December expenses from the Chase Bank account was motioned by R. King, seconded by B. Plemmons and passed by a 6-0 vote.	
	<u>New Business</u>	<u>Directors</u>
	<u>Appointment of RCD Board Secretary</u>	
	Directors briefly discussed consideration of assigning a Board Secretary or 'acting' Secretary. B. Jefferson recommended M. Duflock serve in that role. B. Plemmons voted to nominate M. Duflock as Board Secretary. E. Paddock seconded the motion, and the motion was passed unanimously with a 6-0 vote.	
	<u>Program Updates</u>	<u>P. Robins</u>

P. Robins gave a very brief of the work completed on the Salinas River Arundo Eradication Program and collaboration with the 'River Management Unit' (RMU) Demonstration Projects near Gonzales and Chualar this fall. He introduced the Wildlife Conservation Board Grant Manager, Brian Carey, who would be touring the arundo treatment sites later in the day.

Closing Discussion

Directors

Board members briefly discussed logistics for the spring barbecue fundraiser and agreed to hold a Business Plan development meeting in February.

1:00 P.M.

Meeting Adjourned

B. Jefferson

The next Regular RCD meeting will be held:

Date: **January 15, 2015, 10 A.M.**

Location: **RCDMC Office, 744-A LaGuardia Street, Salinas, CA**

