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# MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 13, 2010 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF THE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT OF SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

The Regular Meeting of the Resource Conservation District of Santa Cruz County (the District) Board of Directors was called to order at <u>6:45PM</u>, <u>October 13</u>, <u>2010</u> at the District Office, 820 Bay Avenue, Suite 136, Capitola, CA 95010

Directors Present

Margaret Kında

Jim McKenna, President

John Ricker

Roberta Smith

**Directors Absent** 

Howard Liebenberg

Mike Manfre, Vice President

David Moeller

**RCD Staff Present** 

Karen Christensen, Executive Director Sharon Corkrean, Director of Finance

#### **WELCOME - INTRODUCTIONS**

The meeting opened at 6 45PM with a quorum present

#### ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

No Oral Communications were given

## **MINUTES**

The Board reviewed the September 1, 2010 special meeting minutes Roberta Smith moved to accept the September 1, 2010 meeting minutes as presented Margaret Kinda seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion. The Board then reviewed the minutes from the September 8, 2010 meeting. John Ricker moved to accept the minutes of the September 8, 2010 meeting minutes as presented. Margaret Kinda seconded the motion. All were in favor of the motion.

# **BUDGET & FINANCE**

<u>2009-2010 Expenditures</u> – The September 2010 Expenditures were circulated for approval <u>John Ricker moved to approve</u> the September 2010 Expenditures <u>Margaret Kinda seconded the motion</u> <u>All were in favor of the motion</u>

# **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **Program Discussion Items**

Mitigation Policy – Karen explained that she sits on the TAC for the Transportation Commission to develop a Sustainable Transportation rating system. A mitigation policy has been developed to communicate with potential clients the criteria to which the RCD will get involved with mitigation, and that the RCD is poised and ready to accept and use mitigation funds appropriately. The policy will help guide not only the RCD, but help outside agencies be clear on the mission and requirements of the District. Roberta Smith moved to accept the Mitigation Policy. Margaret Kinda seconded the motion.

All were in favor of the motion.

RCD Staff Mandatory Holiday Furlough – Karen proposed the "holiday furlough" be changed to an "office closure" between Christmas and New Years After consideration, John Ricker moved to close the office December 27-31 with staff using Personal Time Off or Leave Without Pay during the closure Margaret Kinda seconded the motion All were in favor of the motion

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#### REPORTS

#### **Staff Reports**



Karen shared that the District has submitted a grant proposal to the Department of Conservation to fund a Pajaro Watershed Coordinator

Karen then discussed the presentation she and Jim Robbins gave to the State Resources Secretary in Sacramento The focus of their talk was the successes of the Integrated Watershed Resources Program and gave the District an excellent opportunity to show what RCDs are all about Karen also told the Board that the Santa Cruz IRWM Middle Sloughs Grant was submitted

#### Written Communications

Written communications regarding the National Association of Conservation Districts' Annual Meeting to be held in Nashville, Tennessee were circulated

#### **Calendar Dates**

November 10 Field Tour of N Coast Projects (12 00PM) followed by Board Meeting (5 30PM) at Swanton Pacific Ranch,

Davenport

November 17-20 CARCD 65<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Ventura, CA

December 3 Retirement Party for Bobbie Haver, Crow's Nest 4 00PM, Santa Cruz Yacht Harbor,

December 8 Holiday Potluck, John and Bernadette (Ricker) to host at their home

#### **Directors/Associate Directors Reports**

Margaret Kinda reported on the work of the Strategic Development Committee She said that two very competent consultants have submitted proposals for a strategic fund development plan, and that the Committee asked Nik to follow up on some key questions before deciding on which consultant to hire Roberta Smith and Jim McKenna the other committee members and RCD staffer Lea Haratani also attended the Committee Meeting

#### **NRCS Reports**

There were no reports given

# NEXT MEETING

### Date/ Agenda Items

The next Board Meeting will be on November 10, 2010 at 5 30PM at the Swanton Pacific Ranch in Davenport The meeting adjourned at 7 55PM

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Jim McKenna

Director, Board of Directors

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