



PUBLIC NOTICE
Regular Board Meeting of the:
Honey Lake Valley Resource Conservation District
170 Russell Ave. Suite C
Susanville, CA 96130
530-257-7271 ext. 100
Attachments available 2/22/21 at www.honeylakevalleyrcd.us

Date: Thursday, February 25th, 2021

Location: HELD REMOTELY Via ZOOM

This Virtual Meeting is held pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020 that directs Californians to follow public health directives including canceling large gatherings. The Executive Order also allows local legislative bodies to hold meetings via conference calls while still satisfying state transparency requirements. Executive Order N-33-20, prohibits people from leaving their homes or places of residence except to access necessary supplies and services or to engage in specified critical infrastructure employment.

Note: Pursuant to the Brown Act, Section 54953(b)(2). Section (b) (2) requires that all votes taken during a teleconference meeting shall be by roll call. Any agenda item may be discussed in a different order, if necessary. The Board may take action whether items are listed as action, information or discussion. The meeting is being held solely by remote means and will be made accessible to members of the public seeking to attend and address the Board solely through the phone number set forth below.

Time: 3:30 PM

MEETING MINUTES
votes taken via role call

NOTE: THE HONEY LAKE VALLEY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT MAY ADVISE ACTION ON ANY OF THE AGENDA ITEMS SHOWN BELOW.

NOTE: IF YOU NEED A DISABILITY-RELATED MODIFICATION OR ACCOMMODATION, INCLUDING AUXILIARY AIDS OR SERVICES, TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT THE DISTRICT OFFICE AT THE TELEPHONE NUMBER AND ADDRESS LISTED ABOVE AT LEAST A DAY BEFORE THE MEETING.

I. CALL TO ORDER. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. ROLL CALL

Board member Jesse Claypool called the meeting to order at 3:35pm, and a quorum was noted.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Board member Will Johnson made a motion to approve agenda, Board member Laurie Tippin seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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III. PUBLIC COMMENT - NONE

Per RCD Board Policy No. 5030.4.1, during this portion of the meeting, any member of the public is permitted to make a brief statement, express his/her viewpoint, or ask a question regarding matters related to the District. Five (5) minutes may be allotted to each speaker and a maximum of twenty (20) minutes to each subject matter.

IV. CONSENT ITEMS

- A. Approval of Meeting Minutes: 1/28/2021
- B. Treasurer's Report
- C. Correspondence

Board member Robin Hanson made a motion to approve agenda, Board member Laurie Tippin seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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V. REPORTS

- A. District Manager Report – Stuemky
 - Stuemky reported on bank account updates, CalRecycle grant updates, DACI grant updates, and future grant opportunities.
- B. NRCS Agency Report – Stephens
 - Stephens reported on the NRCS money available for workshops, and fire restoration related projects.
- C. SWAT – Hanson
 - Hanson reported that she and Will Johnson are working together to put together invasive weed information to send out with apportionments and have info available on our website.
- D. WAC Report – Langston
 - Langston reported that there is not much activity other than irrigation season beginning next week. WAC meeting next month, and that the WM truck is fixed.
- E. Modoc Regional RCD/CARCD Report – Tippin
 - Tippin reported that the CARCD meeting discussed the Riparian Corridor restoration grant funding would be available soon. CARCD also has funding capacity now for a revolving loan fund for RCD's.
- F. Fire Safe Council Report – Johnson
 - Johnson reported a conversation with Tom Esgate, and is currently working on a CWPP plan to submit.

- G. IRWMP Report – Claypool
- Claypool reported that he talked with Joe Egan about the Johnstonville Dam project to get an update. JUB Engineering will most likely be leading that project as well.
- H. Unagendized reports by board members –
- Tippin reported that NACD conference had a large amount of participation, and was a worthwhile conference.
 - Hanson reported that she was working on getting her CSDA login to complete the required board trainings.
 - Claypool reported that board members needed to submit their 700 forms soon. Reminded the board about CSDA webinars available. He also reported on the DM 6-month evaluation and that they approved a wage increase of \$2.00/hr.

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VI. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION AND/OR DISCUSSION – RCD

- A. Consideration and agreement to submit a letter of support to CSDA, supporting AB 361 Brown Act/Declared Emergencies. (attachment)
- Board member Laurie Tippin made a motion to approve the letter of support, board member Wayne Langston seconded and the motion passed. All.

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- B. Consideration and approval of HLVRCD to partner with CalTrans in a cooperative agreement with CalTrans and LFSC regarding clearing around right-a-ways along highways in Lassen County. – Tom March
- Board member Laurie Tippin made a motion to approve the partnership and cooperative agreement with CalTrans, board member Will Johnson seconded and the motion passed. All.

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- C. Consideration and approval the new policy #2505 regarding paid holidays, in agreement with approved Employee Handbook changes section 6.6 - pg. 25. (attachment)
- Board member Laurie Tippin made a motion to approve policy #2505, board member Will Johnson seconded and the motion passed. All.

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- D. Consideration and discussion about local biochar production (small scale open flame cap burns and kilns) with regard to future programming and demonstrations. – Will Johnson
- Will Johnson discussed different educational materials that the RCD could create and

post on the website, create webinars and workshops, etc. Wayne Langston suggested that he and Johnson get together for burning and to create appropriate educational materials.

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- E. Consideration and approval about the formation of an official Property Owners Burn Association modeled after the Plumas and Butte County RCD's programs. – Will Johnson
- Tabled for future meeting: March 25th 2021.

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- F. Consideration and discussion about developing items to submit to the upcoming CWPP meeting for fuel treatments, prescriptive burns, and drainage systems. (attachment) – Will Johnson
- Will Johnson discussed the different projects that the RCD can submit for the CWPP solicitation. Some examples included habitat improvements, Bizz Johnson/Hobo Camp trail, Susan river overgrown river corridor. The CWPP project ideas are due March 29th by 5pm.

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VII. ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION AND/OR DISCUSSION– WATERMASTER

- A. Consideration and Approval to pay BBK February 2021 Invoices #896771 (\$2,029.58) and #896772 (\$4,340.34) (attachments).
- Board member Will Johnson made a motion to approve the payment to BBK for the February invoices, board member Robin Hanson seconded and the motion passed. All.

Tie to the Strategic Plan: Strategic Issue 1.4 – Watermaster services are professionally provided.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT – 02/25/2021 at 5:47PM

The next Honey Lake Valley RCD meeting will be **March 25th, 2021, at 3:30 PM.**
The location is the USDA Service Center, 170 Russell Avenue, Suite C, Susanville, CA.

Respectfully Submitted,



Andrea Stuemky
District Manager

APPROVED: 
Jesse Claypool, RCD Board
Chairperson

DATE: 3/25/2021