



PUBLIC NOTICE
Special Board Meeting of the:
Honey Lake Valley Resource Conservation District
170 Russell Ave. Suite C
Susanville, CA 96130
5302574127 ext. 100

Attachments available 03/25/2024 at www.honeylakevalleyrcd.us ■

Date: Thursday, March 28th, 2024

Location: 170 Russell Ave., Suite C, Susanville CA 96130

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 3:47PM, and a quorum was noted. Board member Laurie Tippin was absent.

II. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Board member Robin Hanson made a motion to approve the agenda with changes to add consideration and approval of Resolution 2024-02 as Item V (j) due to emergency need. Board member Will Johnson seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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III. PUBLIC COMMENT

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.

Dave Brazil gave public comment regarding the timeline of the Old Channel pipeline. Tonya Clark gave public comment about water user Russ Fields' concern over pipeline outlet size.

IV. CONSENT ITEMS –

- a. Correspondence
- b. Meeting Minutes – 12/07/2023, 1/12/2024
- c. Financial Reports
- d. Agreements/Contracts

Board Member Wayne Langston made a motion to approve the consent items, Board member Will Johnson seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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

- A. Consideration and approval of amended Policy 5010 due to incorrect meeting day in 5010.1 (attachment).

Board member Wayne Langston made the motion to approve the amended policy, Board Member Robin Hanson seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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- B. Consideration and approval of new Policy 1030, rescission of policy 1060, and minor updates/edits to Section I Table of Contents & subsequent policies (attachment).

Board member Robin Hanson made a motion to approve the new policy, Board member Wayne Langston seconded and the motion passed. All.

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- C. Consideration and approval of agreement with Lassen Land and Trails Trust to be CEQA Lead Agency for Mountain Meadow Restoration in Lassen County Project (attachment).

Board member Robin Hanson made a motion to approve the agreement, Board member Will Johnson seconded and the motion passed. All.

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- D. Consideration and approval of CEQA Notice of Exemption for Mountain Meadow Restoration in Lassen County Project (attachment).

Board member Robin Hanson made a motion to approve and file the NOE, Board member Will Johnson seconded and the motion passed. All.

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- E. Consideration of and submit vote for CARCD Election (attachment).

Board member Wayne Langston made the motion to approve the ballot, Board member Will Johnson seconded and the motion passed. All.

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- F. Consideration of and submit vote for CSDA Seat A Election timeline and Election Materials (attachment).

Board member Robin Hanson made a motion to submit vote to CSDA, Board member Wayne Langston seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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- G. Consideration and approval of draft Notice of Intent and Initial Study-Mitigated Negative Declaration for the Lassen County Wildfire Recovery Project.

Board member Will Johnson made a motion to approve the NOI and MND, Board member Robin Hanson seconded, and the motion passed. All.

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- H. Consideration and approval of entering a Good Neighbor Authority Agreement with the Bureau of Land Management - Eagle Lake Field Office.

Board gave direction to staff to continue pursuing the agreement with the BLM-ELFO.

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- I. First Reading of the Draft Budget for Fiscal Year 2024/2025 (attachment).

Held.

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

- A. Discussion regarding the Deputy Watermaster job description and posting.

Held. Direction given to staff to proceed with posting after edits to the description.

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III. REPORTS

- A. District Manager Report – Siemer (attachment)
Kelsey gave updates on all grant projects, financial standing, and current issues/successes.
- B. NRCS Agency Report – Stephens
NONE
- C. SWAT - Hanson
NONE - chose to disband SWAT committee until funding becomes available.
- D. Watermaster / WAC Report – Langston/Siemer
Wayne and Kelsey gave updates about the WAC meeting held March 14th, and upcoming WAC meeting in May. Discussed upcoming water season and current issues /

successes.

- E. Modoc Regional RCD/CARCD Report – Hanson
Robin gave a report on the CARCD election proceedings and regional updates.
- F. Fire Safe Council Report – Johnson
NONE
- G. Post-Fire Recovery Report – Wooster
Catherine updated on the new spraying/planting schedule for this year as well the FMPs she has been working on.
- H. IRWMP Report – Claypool
NONE
- I. NRCS Partnership Report – Hanson
NONE
- J. Unagendized reports by board members
Jesse gave SDRMA updates

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IV. ADJOURNMENT - 6:31PM

The next Honey Lake Valley RCD meeting will be **April 25th, 2024, at 5:30 PM.** The location is the USDA Service Center, 170 Russell Avenue, Suite C, Susanville, CA.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kelsey Siemer
District Manager

APPROVED: _____



Jesse Claypool, RCD Board
Chairperson

DATE: 2/22/2024