

Minutes

Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District

Regular Meeting, Friday, Feb.6th, 2015

Santa Rosa Plateau visitor center

Call to Order: 1:37pm

Installment of Newly Appointed Board members: Rose Corona and Danny Martin sworn in by Vicki Long

Roll Call: Directors Vicki Long, Pam Nelson, Danny Martin, Rose Corona, and Kelcey Stricker (absent). Associate Director Kathi Head (absent)

Legal counsel: Ray Johnson (1:58pm)

NRCS: Bob Hewitt (absent)

Public: Dave McElroy

Motion to Approve the Agenda: Martin, Nelson,4-0, Long(yes), Nelson (yes), Corona (yes), Martin (yes)

Approve Minutes, Jan.9, 2015. : next month's agenda

Public Comments: none

Business portion of the Elsinore Murrieta Anza Resource Conservation District Board Meeting

1.1 Financial reports: Long explained the accounting process for the District. Corona wondered about the details of the accounts. Long will ask our accountant if there can be more specifics, such as, instead of reconciliation, put the names of the recipient (check register added). 2nd quarter financial report approved with new changes for next time, motion, Martin, Corona, 4-0; Long(yes), Nelson (yes), Corona(yes), Martin (yes).

1.2 Correspondence:

-UCR Notice of new pest, Polyphagous Shot Hole Borer+Fusarium Dieback. This attacks avocados, grapes and more. It's transported with un-composted green waste.

- Request for public records act. County counsel is willing to help us if we need them.

2.1 Action items:

-Discussion on the District with new Board members. Long and Nelson described partnerships with various agencies and the other RCDs, RCRC and SJBRCD. The potential for research, restoration and monitoring are now a possibility for the District to

acquire projects and grants.

-Teri Biancardi (Meadowview resident) mentioned that the RCD is a great asset for this area since the District has an umbrella 1600 (CDFW). How can the District help their HOA? Long explained that an HMMP will be drawn up and then submitted to CDFW. Our District gets a quick review and then gives the OK. Long explained that the RCD is prepared to help with the creek in the Meadowview HOA open space if the funds come in. Another issue that Biancardi described is the Arbor Vista development has been approved that is on the east side of Meadowview. They increased density and mitigated with 39 open space. They were to get a 3rd party overseer for the management. The developer said that they tried so the City said that the HOA would be the sole manager.

Ray Johnson spoke about his perception of the EMARCD currently and historically. Long said that with our new directors, Corona and Martin, we may be able to have a better connection with the NRCS.

New board member, Martin: real estate and appraisal background and now a vineyard owner. He'd like to help developers have an easier path.

New board member, Corona: her background is from family farming of more than 95 years. She's interested in educating the general public about the importance of agriculture in this country.

3.1 Agency Report: none

4.1 Old Business:

4.2 Discussion of on-going projects and grant applications

--Leadership Awards program: Ponte Winery is are likely next recipient

--Education update: Long explained that there is a program we will do with the RCRCDD for classroom education in Lake Elsinore. Nelson reported about the symposium on Feb. 26th put on by the new Environmental Education Collaborative.

--Safe Crossings for Wildlife project: UC Davis held their workshop (see Jan. 2015 minutes) where they identified potential crossing sites in the south Temecula area of Freeway 15.

5.1 New Business: none

6.1 Calendar:

-April 18th: Recycling Fashion Show at Monte de Oro Winery

-Murrieta Creek Trail Project ribbon-cutting event on Nat'l Trails Day, June 6th, 2015

7.1 Directors' Requests for Future Agenda Items: Dave McElroy approval as Associate Director.

8.1 Monthly Reports:

- **District counsel:** We are the only member of the RC&D and the charter has been suspended from the Secretary of State.
- **Director's Reports:** none
- **Associate Director:** none

8.5 SAWA/Fire Safe Council: none

Adjournment: 3:28pm. Motion, Corona, Nelson; 4-0, Nelson(yes), Long (yes), Corona (yes), Martin (yes).


Secretary's signature and date