

## **Minutes**

### **Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District**

Regular Meeting, Friday, Jan, 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015

EMARCD Office

#### **Call to Order: 1:47pm**

**Roll Call:** Directors Vicki Long, Pam Nelson (phone), Gary Thomasian(absent), Dave McElroy, and Kelcey Stricker,

Associate Directors, Matt Rahn, (absent) and Kathi Head (absent)

Legal counsel: Ray Johnson (absent)

National Resource Conservation Service (NRCS): Bob Hewitt (absent)

**Motion to Approve the Agenda:** McElroy, Stricker, 4-0, Long(yes), McElroy (yes), Nelson(yes), Stricker (yes)

**Minutes, Nov, 2014.** Approved with minor corrections; McElroy, Nelson, 3-0, 1 abstention, Long(yes), McElroy (yes), Nelson(yes), Stricker(abstained)

#### **Public Comments:**

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

##### **1.1 Financial reports:**

1<sup>st</sup> quarter financial report (July-Sept.30, 2014): Motion to approve, McElroy, Nelson, 4-0, Long (yes), McElroy (yes), Nelson(yes), Stricker (yes)

##### **2.1 Correspondence: (emails)**

-Scott Murray (Mission RCD): Mission RCD resigned from the Resource Conservation and Development, 501c3 (RC&D)

- Scott Murray to RC&D members: resigning as President

##### **3.1 Action items:**

**3.2 Motion to remove Matt Rahn from the position as Associate Director of the EMARCD:** Stricker, McElroy 4-0, McElroy, Nelson, 4-0, Long(yes),

McElroy (yes), Nelson(yes), Stricker(yes)

##### **3.3 Sponsor theLandscape Connectivity Workshop Jan. 28-30, 2015:**

Winston Vickers (UC Davis, the Wildlife Health Center), The Nature Conservancy (Trish Smith), National Park Service (Seth Riley) are organizing this. It is a So. California effort to create wildlife crossings. They will visit in the Santa Monica Mountains and other areas, including the ranges near Temecula. There will be workshops and field trips.

We can help sponsor since there is a need for \$4000 more.

Motion was made to contribute \$4000 , Nelson, McElroy, 4-0; McElroy, Nelson, 4-0, Long(yes), McElroy (yes), Nelson(yes), Stricker(yes)

### **3.4 Surrender the RC&D charter to the Secretary of State**

Our counsel recommended that we send a letter (email) to any remaining members of the RC&D about the intent of the EMARCD to surrender the charter. We will ask if there are there any comments or if any entity opposes?

If there are no responses or opposition, then the RC&D charter will expire.

Johnson (counsel) will file it with the Sec. of State.

Motion approved: Stricker, McElroy 4-0; Long(yes), McElroy (yes), Nelson (yes), Stricker(yes). Johnson will send an email to the Board saying that a letter in the form of an email is OK as notification.

### **4.1 Agency Report: none**

### **5.1 Old Business:**

#### **5.2 Discussion of on-going projects and grant applications**

--A Dept. of Water Resources (DWR) grant was submitted by Meadowview HOA which included our letter of support.

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

--Grant from Metropolitan Water District (MWD) for water conservation/watershed presentations

--Safe Crossings for Wildlife project: see action item 2.3

--New grants: Stricker reported on the Cal Recycle grants—up to \$50,000 for cleanup of each site. Four sites can be done.

It's a reimbursement grant. We would have to start small due to our budget. Public education and outreach can be included. Creeks and stream -beds would be a good choice for us. A tire amnesty program: is available where you get money for collecting tires.

### **6.1 New Business: none**

### **7.1 Calendar:**

-April 18<sup>th</sup>: Recycling Fashion Show at Monte de Oro Winery

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

### **8.1 Directors' Requests for Future Agenda Items: none**

### **9.1 Monthly Reports:**

### **9.2 District counsel: absent**

### **9.3 Director's Reports:**

-Long: Our Rancho Water District bid for agricultural irrigation project was accepted for \$14,000. We will contract Kerwin Russell, RCRC, to do the implementation. We will get an administration amount.

-Long: attended the Rancho Water District board meeting to tell them about our restoration abilities.

- Long: Elsinore Water District wants our help with education. We could contract RCRC and work with them. Shelli has started some contacts. This could work into a part-time staff person.

-Nelson: Report on Vail Lake Resort; they will continue the large sporting events that are required by the bankruptcy court. There will only be three, though.

-Stricker: She will attend the Ca Native Plant Society's Symposium in San Jose. There will be discussions on restoration and botanically related subjects

**9.4 Associate Director: none**

**9.5 SAWA/Fire Safe Council: none**

**Adjournment: 3:28pm.** Motion, Long, Stricker, 4-0; Long (yes), McElroy (yes), Nelson (yes), Stricker (yes).

P. Nelson 4/10/15  
**Secretary's signature and date**