

Minutes

Elsinore-Murrieta-Anza Resource Conservation District

Regular Meeting, Friday, Jan. 10, 2014

Santa Rosa Plateau Visitor Center

Call to Order: 1:40pm

Roll Call: Directors Vicki Long, Pam Nelson, Gary Thomasian, Kathi Head and Kelcey Stricker. Associate Directors, Matt Rahn, (absent) and Dave McElroy,

Legal counsel: Ray Johnson

NRCS: Bob Hewitt, absent

Public: none

Motion to Approve the Agenda: Thomasian, Head, 5-0; Thomasian (yes), Long (yes), Head (yes), Nelson (yes), Stricker (yes)

Minutes, Nov., 2013. Motion to approve, Stricker, Thomasian, 5-0; Thomasian (yes), Long (yes), Head (yes), Nelson (yes), ~~Sticker~~ (yes)

Stricker gm

Public Comments: n/a

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

1.1 Financial reports:

The list of expenses (Oct., 2013 to Jan., 2014) were attached to the agenda/minutes and were reviewed by the Board. Reimbursement to our general fund (Wells Fargo) for administration and maintenance of our easement expenses from our Union Bank account will be referenced by invoice number in the future.

Board action: Reimbursement of \$1950 from Union Bank to General Fund. Stricker, Thomasian, 5-0.; Thomasian (yes), Long (yes), Head (yes), Nelson (yes), ~~Sticker~~ (yes)

Stricker gm

Union Bank, Vice President/Senior Financial Advisor, Kirsten Roybal, reviewed the Board's accounts with them. We have 2 CDs maturing in 2015 and 1 CD maturing in 2018. Sticker asked if we could use something other than CDs. We have to have secure investments but our Board will review our Investment Policy to see if it needs upgrading. Roybal continued to give the Board information about Union Bank, their clients and their methods of investing. Specific questions about our accounts were answered, as well. We're restricted to a 5-year limit for investments, so Long will ask the CARCD if there is some way to get limit extended.

1.2 Correspondence:

--Correspondence from golf course manager/resident, Jen Huang, about the Colony's lawsuit with her. Huang is asking for support. This is a followup from the letter sent on Oct. 4th, 2013, to Director Head.

--Letter from the U.S District Court about the Fallbrook Utilities about water rights in the Santa Margarita watershed.

--NOP for a development project in Lake Elsinore.

--CA Special District Association: Board Secretary/Clerk Conference, Feb. 27-28

-Board Action Items:

2.1 Change meeting to a the second Thursday of the month: Thomsian, Head, 5-0.
Thomasion (yes), Long (yes), Head (yes), Nelson (yes), ~~Stickler~~ (yes)
Stricker

-Agency Reports: none

-Discussion Items: none

-Old Business:

3.1 Discussion of on-going projects and grant applications

--CA State Parks OHV grant: the invoice has been sent for reimbursement of our grant work.

--Leadership Awards program; Ponte or Europa are being considered. Stricker will look into a tour for Europa. Johnson and Nelson will contact Ponte.

--Safe Crossings for Wildlife project: Long is working with Wyland and discussing a PSA. Stricker will create a Facebook for the EMARCD so that our Safe Crossings project will be featured there. We discussed how to raise funds.

Long has talked with the RCA and TPL about working together on the project.

Nelson will be talking to the Sierra Club chapter about working with us.

Thomasion stated his concerns about fund-raising before we have meetings and presentation material. TNC is looking into methods for recruiting partners.

New Business:

4.1 700 forms are due and Long will bring forms for us.

4.2 Ethics training will be provided by the county.

Directors' Requests for Future Agenda Items:

Special meeting for the Safe Crossings Project

Monthly Reports:

5.1 District Counsel: Johnson reported on the response from the South Coast RC&De's attorney. There will be a hearing in April. Mission RCD has not responded to his letter.

5.2 Director's Reports: none

Calendar:

--Feb.:

--March: file 700 forms due

--April:

--May:

Adjournment: 3:45pm. Motion, Thomasian, Head, 5-0; Thomasion (yes), Long (yes),
Head (yes), Nelson (yes), ~~Stickler~~ (yes)

G. Miller *2/13/14* *Stricker on*

Secretary's signature and date