



SHASTA VALLEY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Siskiyou County, California

Summarized **MINUTES** from the Board of Directors' Regular monthly meeting of the Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District, in Yreka, California, on Wednesday, January 18th, 2023. This meeting was rescheduled from January 11th.

Directors Present: Ryan Walker, Bill Hirt. Zack Salvestro

Directors Absent: Mike Luiz

Associate Directors: None

Staff Present: Ayn Perry, Rod Dowse, Ethan Brown, Dan Blessing, Michael McGill.

Guests in attendance: Alisa Scholberg (contract bookkeeper); Jim Patterson, NRCS, Jay Perkins. Elizabeth Mitchell-Collord, from Elizabeth Mitchell-Collord Insurance Agency.

This meeting was conducted as a live in-person meeting with remote access for those who wished to attend via Zoom. The location for the meeting was the Siskiyou Economic Development Council conference room, 1512 S. Oregon Street; Yreka, CA.

Call to Order

After a quorum was established, the meeting was called to order at 6:31 pm by Chair Walker.

Review and Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by common consent.

Introductions None needed. Dowse noted that Mike Duchi has resigned from the Board. Also noted that Jerry Jordan has taken another job.

Public Comment: None.

Presentation None

Approval of Minutes

ACTION: Approve Minutes for December 18th, 2022, with one edit to fix a number. **MOTION:** Hirt,

SECOND: Salvestro. **Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:** Salvestro, Hirt, Walker, **Noes:** None

Abstentions: None **Motion Approved**

Financial Report

Scholberg presented the SVRCD Financial Report for review and action. She reported that as of December 2022, the SVRCD has Accounts Receivable of \$359,434.46. Assets of \$759,727.00, Liabilities \$274,238.62, Ordinary Income of \$92,569.78, Interfund Cash of \$345,370.92. **ACTION:**

Approve Financial Report. **MOTION:** Salvestro, **SECOND:** Hirt; **Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:** Hirt, Walker, Salvestro, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved.**

Ratify Payroll

Scholberg reviewed the payroll for December in the amount of \$28,654.45. **ACTION:** Approve Payroll. **MOTION:** Salvestro, **SECOND:** Hirt, **Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Hirt, Salvestro, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved.**

Approval of Bills

Scholberg presented the December bills for review and approval. Warrants for \$214,751.63 including two invoices specifically called out from November, submitted for approval. **ACTION:** Approve Bills for Payment. **MOTION:** Hirt, **SECOND:** Salvestro, **Approved by Voice Vote:** **AYES:** Walker, Hirt, Salvestro, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved.**

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| Overhead: | \$3,040.24 |
| US Bank | \$1,245.63 |
| US Bank | \$88.11 |
| Alisa Scholberg Bkkpg | \$1,562.00 |
| Cal Ore Comm | \$104.00 |
| Streamline | \$10.00 |
| Sean Evangelista | \$30.00 |

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| Grant Invoices: | \$210,916.22 |
| County of Siskiyou | \$50.00 |
| County of Siskiyou | \$50.00 |
| Darrah Co. | \$95,175.00 |
| MPeters, Inc. | \$115,641.22 |

Employee Reimbursements: \$795.17

Budget Transfers: None

Approval of Donations Received: None

Correspondence: None

Business – Discussion and Possible Action

01.1 Dan Blessing led a discussion regarding the Slater Fire Rehab. Bid and potential award.

ACTION: Approve a bid to the one qualified bidder: ABC Logging of Happy Camp, based on availability and local workforce. **MOTION:** Hirt, **SECOND:** Salvestro; **Approved by Voice Vote:** **AYES:** Walker, Hirt, Salvestro, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved**

01.2 Rod Dowse reported on SVRCD Work Truck Review of bids and other details for purchase of a Forestry Vehicle with grant funding. Review, discussion and possible action on selecting vehicle and review, discussion and possible action on New SVRCD Vehicle Use Policy. It was recommended that SVRCD purchase a diesel truck. There was discussion regarding funding for maintenance and operations of the vehicle.

ACTION: Purchase a work truck for the forestry field staff. **MOTION:** Salvestro, **SECOND:** Hirt; **Approved by Voice Vote:** **AYES:** Walker, Hirt, Salvestro; **NOES:** Noe; **ABSTENTIONS:** None **Motion Approved.**

Staff and Project Reports

Dowse updates included meetings with partners to facilitate grants and projects, specifically forestry and Klamath Dam removal work. Working on replacing Duchi on the Board and staff benefits. Blessing gave an update on the many forestry projects. Of note, some existing grants are being extended or back-filled with additional funding to address the McKinney fire and other projects. Contractor selection is underway for the Horse Creek culvert work. With Jordan gone, the forestry staff is working at maximum capacity.

Brown gave some updates on equipment purchase for 2023 monitoring, grant approval from NCWQCB for the Parks Creek Ranch extension, and attendance at many meetings. Of note, Shasta Riparian Working Group met for the first time in 2 years.

Board members Reports: None

Other Agency/Group Reports:

Patterson gave a brief update. The SVRCD-NRCS MOU is signed. The next round of EQIP funding has 65 applications and will be scored and ranking for funding in March. It was mentioned that NRCS has targeted funding through a national partnership with NFWF for the Shasta Valley and two other areas. Details to follow.

Closed Session: The Board went into Closed Session at 7:43 to review SVRCD benefits package and personnel reviews possible compensation discussion. The Board ended the Closed Session ended at 9PM. No decisions were made.

Meeting Adjourned –

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 by Chairman Walker.

Agenda Items Pending, Held Over:

- Long Range Plan/Board Fall Retreat
- Invite Morgan Knechtle, CDFW to a meeting to discuss partnership opportunities.
- Invite Chrystal Robinson CDFW to a meeting
- Invite Eli Scott to a meeting to discuss the Shasta River TMDL waiver update for April 2023.

Minutes submitted by Ayn Perry on 1/27/2023

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| Minutes approved as typed as corrected. |
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| Chairman February 8, 2023 |
| Date |
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| District Administrator |