

MINUTES
Meeting of the
GOLD RIDGE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
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Revised Date: Wednesday March 23, 2011

Location: Gold Ridge RCD Office
14775 'b' Third Street
Occidental, CA 95465
Time: 6:00-8:00 pm

Open Meeting (Introductions) The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

II. Call to Order (Roll Call of Directors)

Directors Present: Bob Burke, Ann Cassidy, Joe Dutton

Directors Absent: Don Petersen, Martin Albini

Associate Directors Present: Al Gerhardt, Richard Hughes

Staff Present: Lisa Hulette, Michele Rocha, Joe Pozzi

Others: Charlette Epifanio, NRCS

III. Public Comment: None

IV. Informational Items

- a. Correspondence and Notices. Ann completed her ethics training through CARCD; Lisa will forward the link to the rest of the board. Joe Pozzi talked about his visit to the Wind Wolves Preserve; he brought some info.
- b. GRRCD Grant Status Updates. Lisa reviewed the grant status report. Ebabias Creek project is at the Gay ranch. NCIRWMP: John is working with the Bodega water agency to put in million gallon tanks. Survey of Gilardi's property has been done to address seismic and other issues. SC roads project is moving along. SOS grant is pretty much done. GV Roads will finalize this summer. TEAM workshops will start at the end of March; we'll do a video of the workshops. NBCAI grant is for Sierra to attend meetings on climate action initiative plan.
- c. Formation of Sub-Committee to Review and Provide Comment on New Agricultural Business Program Statements. Lisa has been meeting with Claudia about the agricultural business program statements and asked for board participation; Joe Dutton, Bob Burke, and Ann volunteered.
- d. Valley Ford Schoolhouse. Bob and Noelle did research to find out the building status; we own the building. What do we want to do with it? What are the options for selling it, creating a visitor's center, updating it for our use as an office? We will continue to look into the various options.

V. Action Items:

- a. Approval of Minutes of February 17, 2011.
1st Burke/2nd Cassidy. Motion passed.
- b. Approval to Revise Personnel Policies. Issues raised in discussion: (1)Lisa will double check with our attorney to verify if employees can work more than 8 hrs. in a day and if sick leave can be carried over from one year to the next. (2) Add to policies: "The

board will be notified prior to any hiring decisions.” (3) Staff should be trained on safety issues.

1st Burke/2nd Cassidy. Motion to approve under the conditions of (1) correcting typos and (2) Lisa investigating the substantive issues carried.

- c. Approval of Resolution 2011-6. Approving issuance and sale of a revenue anticipation note from the Gold Ridge Resource Conservation District in the amount of \$300,000 to the Sonoma County Treasurer on behalf of the Sonoma County Treasury Pooled Investment Fund.

1st Cassidy/2nd Burke. Motion carried.

- d. Approval of NRCS activity report and review of operational agreement.

Charlette reported on the current agreement; she asked for comments. She will meet with Joe and Lisa to update and bring back to the board for approval in the next month or two.

- e. Approval of Staff Report .

1st Cassidy/2nd Burke. Motion carried.

- f. Approval of Bookkeepers Report.

1st Burke/2nd Cassidy. Motion carried.

- g. Approval of Warrant Requests.

1st Cassidy/2nd Burke. Motion carried in retrospect, as warrants were signed last week.

- h. Agenda items for April 21, 2011 Meeting. NRCS operational agreement.

VI. Closed Session: None

VII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:00.