

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
TRANQUILLITY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
April 8, 2024**

The Board of Directors of the Tranquillity Resource Conservation District (TRCD) met in the McMullin Area Sustainability Agency Conference Room for a live and in-person meeting via MS Teams meeting protocols, on Monday, April 8, 2024.

Jerry Radinoff, Chair presided, and Steve Haze kept the Minutes.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Jerry Radinoff, Steve Shehadey, Anthony Borges, Patrick Abercrombie, and Matt Hurley

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Steve Haze – Executive Director

A quorum was declared

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

1. **Draft Agenda Review and Approval:** Motioned approval and Seconded. Passed unanimously.
2. **Board Minutes:** Draft meeting minutes for January 8 and February 12, 2024, were reviewed. MH motioned approval and AB seconded. Passed unanimously. There was no Board meeting on March 12 due to ED on leave.
3. **Executive Director Report:**

General: A brief update of activities associated with the operations was provided.

 - Outreach and District development activities are continuing, including successful establishment of district bank account Central Valley Community Bank in Kerman and first deposits made. Working on a quote from SDRMA on insurance coverage.
 - Have been working on finalizing the agreement with the Strategic Growth Council. Was DocuSigned on our end, today the 8th of April. Needs to be signed by SGC.
 - Have been invited by Fresno COG (Council Of Governments) to serve on the CCAP (Comprehensive Climate Action Committee) representing Agriculture/Natural Resources.

- Continued participation in CERF (CA Economic Resilience Fund) plan development working group representing local governments in west Fresno County in which TRCD is being funded. Submitted 2nd invoice for December through February.
- Will be attending CARCD San Joaquin Valley Region 9 meeting on April 12th. Matt Hurley will be attending as well.

Funding:

- Successfully submitted proposal to U.S. EPA for in the amount of \$302 million for their Climate Pollution Reduction Implementation Program in conjunction with Fresno COG. This would be for methane capture and utilization for electricity and hydrogen, whole orchard recycling for renewable fuels production, and water efficiency management within Fresno County.
- Steve presented current finances. There were no expenses. The Mechanics Bank account was successfully closed out with the balance of \$607.32 transferred into the Central Valley Community Bank account. There is a CERF receivable of \$,1,600 in and \$4,166 for the SJV Natural Resources Hub for 2023 due. Total A/R of \$5,766. Total grants in the amount of \$418,974.
- ED Haze provided an update of the Activities Report which is a consolidated list of several undertakings.

NRCS Update:

No update

4. Planning and Priority Discussion:

- a) **Annual and Long-Range Plans:** No Discussion
- b) **Potential Development District Carbon Management Plan:** In conjunction with CCI's SJV Regional Carbon Farming Hub program.

II ADJOURNED TO THE REGULAR May 13, 2024, MEETING

Adjournment declared