

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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REGULAR BOARD MEETING

EIGHT-HUNDRED TWENTY-SIXTH MEETING

Monday February 28, 2022—6:00 P.M.

MINUTES

EXECUTIVE OFFICER
Clark Stevens

1. **ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** the Board voted to keep the current slate of officers. **Moved/Seconded: Ms. Burnam/Mr. Rosentsweig; approved 3-0.**
2. **CALL TO ORDER:** the meeting was called to order via Zoom videoconference by President R.C. Brody at 6:01 p.m. A quorum was established with Directors Beth Burnam, Nancy Helsley (arrived at 6:10) and Steve Rosentsweig on the videoconference. Director Laurie Price was absent. Also on the videoconference were Executive Officer Clark Stevens, Senior Conservation Biologist Dan Cooper and Finance & Operations Officer John Hendra.
3. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** Glenn Bailey, past Director and RCD representative to the Sepulveda Basin Wildlife Area Steering Committee; Dawn Afman, NRCS District Conservationist.
4. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**
 - Mr. Cooper introduced himself and reviewed his qualifications and areas of interest. The Board welcomed him to the RCD and looks forward to seeing what projects he develops.
 - Mr. Bailey was in a meeting with LA DPW and learned they will have the annual open house on April 23 at the Chatsworth Reservoir.
5. **MINUTES:** Approval of minutes for meeting of December 20, 2021: the Board voted to approve the minutes as presented. **Moved/Seconded: Ms. Burnam/Ms. Helsley; approved 4-0.**
6. **MONTHLY CLAIMS AND FINANCIALS:** Approval of Claims for December 2021 and January 2022, and review of financial reports through January 31, 2021: after reviewing the claims and financial reports, the Board voted to approve both. **Moved/Seconded: Mr. Rosentsweig/Ms. Burnam; approved 4-0.**

7. REGULAR CALENDAR

- A. Approval of Resolution No. 2022-02-01: Proclaiming a local emergency exists, re-ratifying the proclamation of a state of emergency by executive order N-29-20, issued by Governor Newsom on March 17, 2020, and re-authorizing remote teleconference meetings of the legislative bodies of the RCDSMM for the period February 28, 2022 to March 28, 2022 pursuant to Brown Act provisions: the Board discussed the evolving COVID situation and the fact that state mandates are being loosened or removed, then decided to reject the resolution and meet in person next month. They asked staff to check into legal requirements of returning to remote meetings if conditions changed. **Moved/Seconded: Ms. Burnam/Mr. Rosentsweig; the resolution was defeated 4-0.**
- B. Review and approval of mid-year budget adjustments: Mr. Brody reported that the Finance & Administration Committee reviewed the budget adjustments and recommends approval. He explained a few of the budget line changes. The Board voted to approve the budget adjustments as presented. **Moved/Seconded: Mr. Rosentsweig/Ms. Burnam; approved 4-0.**
- C. Discussion of revised Sphere of Influence (SOI) expansion map, process for approval and next steps after expanded SOI is ratified: Mr. Stevens discussed his conversations with LA LAFCO and Antelope Valley RCD regarding the line of expansion to the north. The Board tabled further discussions until after the SOI expansion is approved at the March 9, 2022 LA LAFCO meeting.
- D. Review and approval of wireless ordinance comment letter: the Board reviewed the letter and complemented staff for a job well done, then asked Mr. Stevens about some of the points in the letter. The Board voted to approve submission of the letter after any minor edits Mr. Stevens feels are necessary. **Moved/Seconded: Ms. Burnam/Ms. Helsley; approved 4-0.**

8. USDA/NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE REPORT:

Ms. Afman reported that she is retiring April 30 of this year. NRCS won't hire until Ms. Afman has left but will probably move one of the current staff in as interim District Conservationist until a replacement is hired.

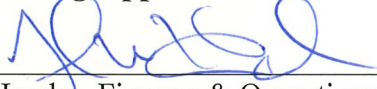
9. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

- A. Staff Reports for December 2021 and January 2022:
 - i. Clark Stevens, Executive Officer
 - ii. John Hendra, Finance & Operations Officer
 - iii. Rosi Dagit, Senior Conservation Biologist
 - iv. Marilyn Brody French, Education Supervisor
 - v. Antoine Kunsch, Community Resilience Coordinator

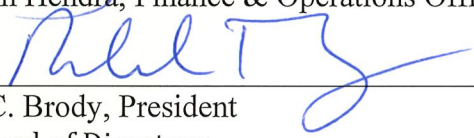
10. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Ms. Helsley reported the Envirothon will be virtual again this year. UCANR will be helping with the technical aspects. The theme is "Waste to Resources". The event will be held April 1-2. Seven teams are set to compete in the state competition. Mr. Brody will be a judge again this year.

11. ADJOURNMENT: The meeting was adjourned at 7:18 p.m. **Moved/Seconded: Ms. Burnam/Mr. Rosentsweig; approved 4-0.**

Submitted by: 
John Hendra, Finance & Operations Officer

Date: 2/28/2022

Approved by: 
R.C. Brody, President
Board of Directors

Date: 4/29/2022