Full Council QUARTERLY MEETING

*January 27, 2022 | 10:00 AM – 12:30 PM*

eMeeting Instructions

**Zoom Meeting**: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88243957883>

Meeting ID: 882 4395 7883

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A G E N D A / MINUETS

Present at the Meeting (via remote call)

**Sponsor Organizations**

Tom Wheeler, Madera County Supervisor – Executive Committee (President)

Nathan Magsig, Fresno County Supervisor – Executive Committee (2nd Vice President)

Lynn Gorman, Sierra Foothill Conservancy – Executive Committee (Secretary)

Steve Haze, Sierra RCD

Kelly Kucharski, Sierra RCD

Rosemarie Smallcombe, Mariposa County Supervisor

Barbara Cone, Mariposa Fire Safe Council

**Partners and visitors**

Robert Macaulay, Madera County

Britta Dyer, American Forests

Johnnie Siliznoff, NRCS

Alex Hepler, NRCS

Denise England, Tulare County

Jeannie Habben, Madera County WNR

Rick Fleming, Big Sandy Rancheria

Kristin Telles, Central Sierra Resiliently Fund

Elissa Brown, SNC

Doug Waltner, Sierra Vista Byway

**Staff**

David Konno, Program Manager

Hazel Lavender, Assistant Project Manager

COUNCIL MEETING CALL TO ORDER 10:05 AM

GENERAL BUSINESS

* Pledge of Allegiance & Recite Mission Statement All
* Introductions & Roll Call President/All
  + Tom Wheeler led roll call and introductions were made by all present. A quorum was established, with 7 council members present
* Approval of Agenda (A) All
  + Motion to approve the meeting agenda made by Rosemarie motion and Kristen Telles second, agenda approved.
* Approval of Past Meeting Minutes (A) All
  + Motion to approve October 28, 2021, Full Council Meeting minutes made by Kristin Telles motion and Rosemarie Smallcombe second, minutes approved.
* Executive Committee Report
  + Update on Salary and Org Chart
  + Search for Outreach Coordinator, Director, and Program/Project Manager
    - Outreach Coordinator possibly found
  + Work with Dinky Creek to manage their Grant
  + Letter of Support for American Forest and Coarsegold RCD
  + Appointed Eddie as Treasure
* Treasurer’s Report (A) Konno
  + David Konno provided the Treasurers report. Starting balance of $6,620.70, ending balance is $31,202. $47500 Line of Credit. Aging Receivables from CDF ~$700,000, sitting on $500,000 in payables over 30 days, CalFire is delayed in payouts. Motion to approve the treasurer’s report made by Nathan Magsig motion and Rosemarie Smallcombe second, Treasurer’s Report approved.
* NRCS Update NRCS Rep
  + Johnnie Siliznoff provided updates from NRCS. Johnnie has been given a prometon and is now the main contact for Area 3. Working on Irrigation and working on the cover crop. Encourage partners to get the word out about batching periods. Conservation Steward program for landowners to maintain enhancements. Requests to help get the word out that they are hiring. Alex Helper updated on the tree mortality program will continue for three years.
* Public Comment All

OLD BUSINESS

* SNC RFFCP Early Action Funding Lynn/All
  + Elissa Brown, SNC will provide a list of their priorities to YSRCDC to make a project priority list. Short-term projects need to be completed by 2024. SNC has $500k for 4 tasks
    - 1. Have a person attend meetings and suggest they have their own project priority list then become the “database” for them.
    - 2. Capacity Building Outreach
    - 3. Project Development Pipeline ($250,000), possible to have a subcontractor, SNC may assign subcontractors
    - 4. Forest collaboration with Kern County
  + Elissa requests YSRCDC to submit the grant application as soon as possible

NEW BUSINESS

* Treasurer Opening/Nomination (A) President/Full Council
  + Execute Committee approved Eddie as new Tres/Board Member. Nathan Magsig motion, Lynn Gorman second, Approved
* Dinkey Creek Collaborative Agreement (A) Konno/All
  + Provide Admin Support for their meetings. Nathan Magsig motion, Lynn Gorman second, Approved
* Staff Recruitment Update Lynn/Rosemarie
  + Endorsed Organization Chart and new pay scales.
  + Erin Capuchino accepted the Outreach Coordinator position.
  + Director Position is in need, if there is not a good response YSRCDC will look to a recruiting group
  + SNA has offered to assist in sending a job posting out, then use recruiters.
* YSRCDC 2022-2023 Meeting Calendar (A)
  + Lynn Gorman Motion to approve, Rosemarie Smallcombe second. Approved

Sponsor & Partner Updates All

* Rosemarie Smallcombe - Upper Merced River Water Shed will be reaching out for support, workshops for local and partner agencies about how to identify primary auxiliary emergency evacuations and move forward with vegetation management in event of a fire.
* Jeannie Habben – Working for a grant for Oakhurst River Parkway for the river rehabilitation
* Lynn Gorman- Conservancy has many events for the spring over 50k acres
* Steve Haze – Added 250k north of Fresno on the 99. Working on feasibility for a microgrid.
* Rick Fleming – San Juaquin River trail, the bridge on Lewis Creek
* Britta Dryer – Infrastructure Bill for reforestation, growing staff with someone in El Dorado Area and Three Rivers, supporting through the SNC Grants, adding three more staff.
* Barbara Cone – Stumpfield project 80% complete, Feran Fuel reduction 90%, Alta Vista P1 Grant is moving forward, Alta Vista P2 requesting Grant, Wagner Ridge fuel break started. Study for ladder fuels removed in Lush Meadows, CalFire would like a fuel break on the west side of town from HWY140 to landfill coordination. Mentoring Lake County CLERK
* Kelly Kucharski Community Workday Creek fire recovery and prevention 70 people, parting with Resiliency Fund. Will have another workday in Feb, apply for CalFire for Lost Bluff fuel break requesting a letter of support, Education Grant for Fire Risk evaluations, AmeriCorps team of 8 working in Creek fire scar.
* Tom Wheeler- Looked over Creek Fire burn, seeing new growth already near Mammoth Pools.

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