



Minutes
YOSEMITE/SEQUOIA RESOURCE CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL
Executive Committee Meeting
Wednesday, April 26, 2023, 9:30 am
HYBRID – Premier Valley Bank, Oakhurst Branch, and Zoom:
(A) = Action Item

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING CALL TO ORDER

9:36 am

-Introductions & Roll Call

In attendance:

Executive Committee: In person - Nathan Magsig (NM), Bobby Macauley (BM), Lynn Gorman (LG)
Via Zoom - Eddie Valero (EV)

Staff: In person - Erin Capuchino (EC)
Via Zoom - Mi-Ling Wong (MW), Hazel Lavender (HL), Raini Patteson (RP)

Absent: Rosemarie Smallcombe (RS)

GENERAL BUSINESS

-President's Opening Statement

- NM opened the meeting by updating the committee on issues in Fresno County from the winter storms

-Approval of Agenda (A)

- EC requested to add a discussion about the CA RCDC group. LG moved to approve with addition, BM seconded, and all in attendance approved.

-Approval of Past Meeting Minutes (A)

- BM moved to approve with addition, LG seconded, and all in attendance approved.

-Updates from Executive Committee

- None

-Public Comment

- None

-Bookkeeper/Financial Report (A)

- Committee Reviewed the updated reports supplied via email on 4/25 and printed them for in-person review. Questions were raised about the negative amount in operating income. EC noted that this is the amount of outstanding invoices. It was also requested to have a clear picture of the retained earnings. BM moved to approve, LG seconded, and all in attendance approved.
- Banking, Signatures – EC updated ExCo that the BofA Account still needs new signature cards but will need to meet with Tom Wheeler in Fresno at a branch to start the process.
- Chipper Update – Donated to CRCD, CRCD will have the machine evaluated for value. The other Chipper is in the process of being purchased for \$4000. Initially thought we would get 5k, but the machine needed at least \$1000 of work; the buyer offered to take care of it to knock off \$1000. Neither machine was properly titled when obtained; EC is in the process of securing both titles to finish the sale and donation of the chippers.

-Director Update -

- EC has been working with grant applications, project management, operations, and many meetings for Capacity Building and supporting partners.

-Projects/Programs Report

- SNC 972 RFFC - WIP Capacity Program Subgrant – EC updated ExCo on the progress made with the 972 capacity, specifically with Kern County and Grant Writing. RC shared the grant tracking document created by the contracted Grant Writer.

- SNC 1099 Blue Rush Site Preparation and Stand Maintenance Project – EC updated the committee on progress. Sierra Nevada Conservancy (SNC) Grants Team has extended the life of the grant beyond May 1 to October 1, 2023. The last deliverables are a public field trip and press release; this has been postponed due to FS delays, storms, and snow melt.
- 8GG18655 Madera Projects – Southern Sierra All Lands Recovery and Restoration Project – HL informed the ExCo that Y/S will host the UW team and in-person Lidar workshop in the Fall of 2023.

OLD BUSINESS

-P&P for Letter of Recommendation Requests (A)

- EC shared the proposed policy and procedure doc BM moved to approve, EV seconded, and all in attendance approved.

-943 Final Report

- Y/S will be compiling the report in May for final submission

NEW BUSINESS

-CalOES/FEMA Applications

- EC updated ExCo on the project that has been scoped and will be applied for. NM noted that Fresno County is not in an area that can apply for individual assistance. EV shared an opportunity to bring in AmeriCorps members for immediate work.

-Giant Sequoia Lands Coalition –

- EC suggested Y/S should join The Giant Sequoia Lands Coalition (GSLC). Committee agreed.

-CA RC&D C

- EC described the current discussions with the other five CA area RCDCs and requested an ExCo Member to join in a meeting on May 8-9 to discuss the CARCDC with NRCS and The National RCDC Association. LG will let EC know if she can join.

CLOSED SESSION

-Payroll

- ExCo will make a recommendation to the Full Council to move payroll services in-house through QBO.

-Regional coverage

- The committee discussed the possibility of adding a new County to the service area and the current involvement of founding counties.

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10:35 am

Future Agenda Items & Meeting Date(s)

- Full Council Meeting: Thursday, 4/27/23 @ 10:00 am
- Executive Committee Meeting: Thursday, 5/25/23 @ 9:30 am
- Executive Committee Meeting: Thursday-, 6/22/23 @ 9:30 am