

Pit Resource Conservation District
Minutes for the meeting held 11/21/19

M.C.T.O. at 6:01 pm by Chairman Andy Albaugh. Board members present were Alan Nelson and Tim Babcock. Guests were Sarah Oldson and Chris Christofferson, staff present Todd Sloat and Sharmie Stevenson. M/S/C Alan/Tim to approve the mins from the 9/12/19 meeting as read.

Sharmie read Tom's report (see attached), there was discussion on the Black Mtn project. M/S/C Alan/Tim that Tom work with the FS to maximize everything that can be done on FS property and that he notify the FS and Sharmie of when he plans to move off of FS and what has been accomplished to that point. It was also discussed that the move should be weather driven not production rate driven if possible.

Todd reported on the CCI projects and Sharmie gave updates on contract and contractors for Lava, Rush 2 and Sweagart. Del Logging was the successful bidder for the Sweagart project at \$445.00 per acre. Todd relayed the interest from the McConnell Foundation and the story of the Cove project and how they liked that model of private partnerships. It looks likely that the McConnell Foundation will fund some planning project in the near future. Todd told the Board that he and Chris had presented at the CARCD conference on Cove. There was a discussion on Adin Pass Fuel Break project. There was discussion on the Stone SPA, Sharmie will put bid notices in the papers on Monday. The RCD cannot award a bid until the SPA is completed. There was discussion on cruising projects and the appraisal process even for low value projects due to the fact that the cruz, check cruz, and appraisal are more costly than the value of the project being reviewed. The Cove project is nearly completed and total volume was 6.3 million board feet, same as was projected. There was discussion on the Wagontire and Deep projects. Cal Deer was given the Deep project and they brought in \$200,000 to help with the project. There was discussion on applying for this round of CCI funds and it looks like it might be more feasible to apply for fire prevention instead of forest health. Todd and Chris will check into this and make a decision. There was discussion on road fees for Cove. Sarah mentioned that SPI has 20,000+ trees available for planting if needed. She also told the Board that the intern has been selected and his name is Sam McAdams. She explained the process to the board. Chris told the board that due to all of the work that has been occurring on the Modoc, the region awarded an additional \$1.2 million out of about \$3 million to the Modoc.

Sharmie gave a brief report about the Shasta College programs and passed around the truck course flyer. Interest for the Lassen County account for the 3rd quarter was \$105.52 with an admin fee of \$10.11 leaving a net of \$95.41. Sharmie handed out financials, M/S/C Tim/Alan to approve the report. Sharmie also asked the board to sign a letter of support for the Fall River RCD IMF infrastructure project. It was discussed that Sharmie and Todd will supply the board

with a monthly update on the CCI projects as they are moving so fast with so many projects it is hard to keep up.

M/S/C Payroll & Bills – Alan/Tim

M/S/C Alan/Tim – resolution for next round of CCI funding.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm by Chairman Andy Albaugh.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharmie Stevenson, Executive Director

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Sharmie Stevenson", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Sharmie Stevenson

From: tom.esgate@gmail.com
Sent: Thursday, November 21, 2019 8:50 AM
To: 'Sharmie Stevenson'
Subject: Black Mountain Update

Importance: High

Sharmie,

Here is an update on the Black Mountain Project.

1. We still have about \$200,000 to spend.
2. We are prioritizing USFS lands but may need to do additional work on Beaty ground in order to spend all the funds by 12/31/19.
3. CAL Fire has told me they would be OK with our leaving doodle piles on the ground after 12/31/19 with the commitment of the contractor that he would chip, skid and haul them at his own expense after 12/31/19; he would get a reduced payment for cutting only. Both Dowell and the USFS have stated they are good with that.
4. I also want to get McGarr back on Beaty ground masticating in order to ensure we get all the money spent by 12/31/19. Since HLP now has the treatment contract we would need to pay McGarr directly at his lite rate of \$348.95 per acre. I need PRCD Board approval for this this evening, if possible.

I am still optimistic that we will be able to spend all the money, but it remains a challenge.

Please let me know how this report was received and if I can give McGarr the go ahead.

Thank you,

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