

Minutes for the Pit Resource Conservation District

Meeting held May 12, 2022

M.C.T.O. at 7:08 pm by Chairman Andy Albaugh. Board members present, Tim Babcock, Kolten Hawkins, and Alan Nelson. Guests present Thad DeForest and Dale McDougal, staff present Sharmie Stevenson.

Public Comment – None

M/S/C Kolten/Alan to approve the minutes from the 4/14/22 meeting as read.

Sharmie gave updates on the office appraisal, it was appraised for replacement value of \$176,500. She sent the appraisal to the insurance company and requested a coverage increase. She and Andy gave the board an update on the WUI Coordinator position interviews. There were only two people that interviewed and both candidates did a good job. There was discussion and Sharmie and Andy told the board that no one had been hired as of yet. Sharmie told the board that she had spoken with John Landowski and he was not interested in the position. She also told the board that she has not yet been able to find a policy that covers the letting out of negotiated rates for contracts but will continue to look. She also explained to the board the situation regarding the newly appointed board members and the Board of Supervisors meeting, it will be on the May 17<sup>th</sup> agenda for appointment.

Reports – Sharmie did not prepare the Profit and Loss, Balance Sheet and transaction reports for this meeting, she will bring them to the next meeting. She did hand out the bank statements for all accounts.

Sharmie read a thank you letter from Shannon Carnegie for the purchase of the classroom supplies for the Forestry and Wildlife course and invited the board to the presentations on the 20<sup>th</sup>.

Cal Deer Association Partnership – Dale McDougal gave the board a brief overview of Cal Deer and projects that they have been involved with in CA. There was discussion on the Gold Fire area and possibilities there. Sharmie asked Dale about the possibility of much more dramatic roadside clearing projects and there was discussion. Kolten asked about DFW properties like Ash Creek Wildlife Area and the possibility of working with them to bring back the grazing programs, there was discussion. Dale informed the group that the new head of DFW, Chad Dibble, is much more likely to work with partners and implement projects. He explained the Cal Deer role in obtaining partnerships.

Scholarships – Sharmie told the board that only one scholarship had been received and it was not complete so she sent the information back to the school and has contacted the student. Scholarships will be awarded at the June meeting.

Sharmie read the Forestwide Planning letter to the board for approval to send. The board unanimously agreed to send the letter and thought it was a great idea, Andy signed it and Sharmie will talk to Todd about submission to the MNF.

M/S/C Tim/Alan to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 pm

Respectfully Submitted,

Sharmie Stevenson, Executive Director

