#### **MINUTES**

# REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE YUBA COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

9:30 am Friday January 10, 2020

Held at the Yuba County Agricultural Commission Office 915 8th Street, Suite 127, Marysville

### A. ROLL CALL

President Alyssa Lindman called the meeting to order at 9:50 AM at the Yuba County Agricultural Commission Office conference room in Marysville, CA.

Roll Call:

	Present	Absent	
Directors	Director Alyssa Lindman		
	Director Gary Fildes		
	Director Doug Neilson		

Others present: Cathy Leblanc (CCP), Lindsey Nitta (CCP), Alison Thompson (CCP & SYRCL)

#### **B. PUBLIC INPUT**

There was no public input.

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#### **C. CONSENT ITEMS:**

1. Approval of Minutes for Regular Board Meeting of December 13, 2019

The December 13, 2019 meeting was continued to this morning. Therefore, there were no meeting minutes. President Lindman asked, when ready, to have the list of NRCS programs (and other handouts provided by Litza Lopez) attached to the minutes.

## D. FINANCIAL REPORT:

1. Review of Cash on Hand for the period ending **December 31**, 2019

Director Fildes reported that there was no change in our finances. **Director Neilson made a** motion to accept the Financial Report as presented. President Lindman seconded. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

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## E. STATUS OF YCRCD WEBSITE BUILDING EFFORTS

Director Neilson reported that the website is live. He provided the other Board Members with administrator access to the page but cautioned that in order to modify the website (or add to it) they would have to know HTML. This is because the webpage is based on a predefined template, and HTML was used to get around some unwanted features of that template. Director Neilson stated that he would create a gmail account for YCRCD-info@gmail.com.

### F. POTENTIAL PHONE CALL WITH TODD SLOAT

Todd Sloat was not available. President Lindman suggested we call him during a future meeting.

# G. <u>PRESENTATION BY/DISCUSSION WITH LINDSEY NITTA FROM CAMPTONVILLE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP</u>

Lindsey Nitta presented an overview of CCP's planned biomass facility. This facility will produce 5 megawatts of electricity with 3 megawatts purchased by PG&E. The remaining 2 megawatts will be used at a planned business complex to be built around the biomass facility. The plant was originally planned for the Celestial Valley area near Camptonville but providing the connection to the PG&E grid would have been too costly. The project was therefore relocated to the vicinity of Highway 20 at Oregon Hill Road. After approximately 10 years of planning, the project had received final funding and would begin construction later in 2020. It was hoped that the RCD could oversee the running of the facility for the CCP but it turns out that RCDs are precluded by State Law from selling electricity. We will consider other ways that the RCD might become involved as the project progresses. Alison Thompson talked briefly about the planned business center which is envisioned as a small business incubator that will benefit the local foothill communities surrounding it. All-in-all, both the biomass facility and business center are expected to provide 25 or so jobs plus whatever jobs come from the companies in residence at the business center.

# H. <u>REVISIT EFFORT TO ESTABLISH A BANK ACCOUNT AT A LOCAL BANK OR CREDIT UNION, AND ESTABLISHING 501(C)(3)</u>

After a brief discussion it was determined not to establish an outside bank account until we have a consistent stream of income to justify it. Exploring the creation of a 501(C)(3) was also put off; the creation would be easier to achieve if we had an income stream already in place.

#### I. DIRECTOR'S INPUT

There was no director input.

# J. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business before the Board, **President Lindman motioned that the meeting be adjourned. Director Fildes seconded, and the motion passed by unanimous consent.** The meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM.