

**DIXON RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (DRCD)
MINUTES FOR
JULY 9, 2014**

DIRECTORS

**MARK HOLDENER, PRESIDENT
SAM BEUKELMAN
RICK MARTINEZ
DAVID VIGUIE**

DIXON RCD STAFF

**JOHN S. CURREY, DISTRICT MANAGER
JANICE BEAMAN, OFFICE MANAGER**

OTHER ATTENDEES

**WENDY RASH, DISTRICT CONSERVATIONIST
KEVIN CHRISTENSEN, RECOLOGY**

1. Call the Meeting to Order

President Holdener called the July 9, 2014, Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. at 1170 North Lincoln Street, Suite 110, Dixon, CA.

Present: President Holdener, Directors Beukelman and Rick Martinez

Absent: Director Viguie

2. Establish a Quorum

A quorum was established.

3. Approve the Agenda

There was no discussion on this item.

A motion was made by Director Martinez, seconded by Director Beukelman, to approve the agenda. The motion passed as follows:

MEETING MINUTES

Ayes: Beukelman, Martinez, Holdener
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Viguie

4. Comments from the Public - None

5. Presentations - None

6. Matters Relating to the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area:

- a. **Approval of Expenses - None**
- b. **Activities Report – Monthly Summary of Staff’s Activities.**

Mr. Currey noted there are no expenses for this month and reported that the Request for Proposal for Yolo Bypass leases is being reviewed by the Department of Fish and Wildlife and their Legal Counsel.

This item was filed.

7. Matters relating to the DRCD/Solano RCD Water Quality Coalition (Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program):

- a. **Approval of Prior Year Expenses from June 12, 2014 – June 30, 2014, and review of the 2013 / 2014 Budget Update.**

Mr. Currey noted the expenses are reimbursements to Dixon and Solano RCD's for the last quarter of the fiscal year.

A motion was made by Director Martinez, seconded by Director Beukelman, to approve the Coalition expenses. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: Beukelman, Martinez, Holdener
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Viguie

- b. **Activities Report – Monthly Summary of Staff’s Activities.**

Mr. Currey reviewed the draft Regional Board letter being sent to landowners in Northern California who are not enrolled, but believe are using irrigated water. The deadline for enrollment with a Coalition is October 2, 2014, at a cost of \$7.50 per irrigated acre. After October 2nd, other penalties and fines will apply. For those enrolled with the Coalition, they will get a letter asking for information and to confirm their membership.

8. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Report

Ms. Rash reported that contracts are being prepared. She discussed the pre-proposals for the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCCP) and

MEETING MINUTES

hoped to have a competitive proposal developed that would be similar to the Bay Delta Initiative. She discussed the funding for National, State and critical conservation areas and noted they are requesting \$4 million per year for five years.

Mr. Currey discussed and supported the California RCD submitting an application for the Statewide pool of funds and converting to water conservation practices.

This item was filed.

9. DRCD Consent Calendar:

- a. Approval of Minutes for the Board Meeting dated June 11, 2014.**
- b. Approval of Prior Year Expenses from June 12, 2014 – June 30, 2014, and review of the 2013 / 2014 Budget Update.**
- c. Approval of New Year Expenses from July 1, 2014 – July 9, 2014, and review the 2014 / 2015 Budget Update.**

Mr. Currey reviewed the financial reports for Items 9a and 9b and noted that he reconciled all transactions, including the Joint Powers Authority. He reviewed the budgets and transactions.

A motion was made by Director Martinez, seconded by Director Beukelman, to approve the Consent Calendar. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: Beukelman, Martinez, Holdener
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Viguie

10. Old Business

- a. Northeast Dixon Ag Service Area: Button Transportation Project – Receive update and consider future action.**

Mr. Currey reported that he met with Solano County staff and responded to their questions. He thought the County feels their policies are adequate and sufficient to address drainage. He would like the County to consider the adequacy of increased surface water if all parcels are occupied. He noted that Bill Emlen, Solano County Resource Management Director, is having their engineer review the Button project only and that they are not considering the cumulative impact.

Director Martinez felt unless County staff is told by someone higher in the organization to do something, County staff will not budge. He hoped the third party engineer will report in the District's favor.

This item was filed.

MEETING MINUTES

11. New Business

- a. **Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area 2014/2015 Budget, Fund 424 – Review Draft Budget for the Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area for 2014/2015, provide input and/or consider approving budget.**

Mr. Currey reviewed the Yolo Bypass budget and noted that he expects this budget to be zeroed-out by June 2015 and noted budget expenses will be DRCD management and rent payments to the Department of Fish and Wildlife.

A motion was made by Director Martinez, seconded by Director Beukelman, to approve the Yolo Bypass budget. The motion passed as follows:

Ayes: Beukelman, Martinez, Holdener
Noes: None
Abstain: None
Absent: Viguie

- b. **Aquatic Weed Control – Receive Staff Report and Provided Direction on NPDES Permit Conditions and Current Aquatic Weed Conditions.**

Mr. Currey discussed the NPDES permit for application to ditches and there will be more monitoring. Relating to the hornweed, he noted that he agreed to make one application at Tremont 3.

Director Martinez asked that to be watched so it does not get out of hand.

This item was filed.

- c. **Regional Conservation Partnership Program – Discuss and consider supporting Joint Pre-proposal by Sac Valley Water Quality Coalition for the USDA-NRCS Regional Conservation Partnership Program grant application.**

See Item 8 above.

- d. **Solano County Groundwater Report – Receive and discuss information report.**

Mr. Currey reviewed the rainfall charts discussing the annual and percentage of average rainfall in Dixon between 2009 through 2012. He also discussed the Flood Tour and flows from Putah Creek and diversion dams.

12. RCD Staff Reports

- a. **District Manager's Report**

MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Currey reported:

- The California RCD Conference will be held in Ventura on November 13 – 16, 2014, and discussed the presentation to be given;
- About a meeting with Flood Safe and Department of Water Resources and discussed regional interviews managing flood waters;
- About an update on the five-year floodplain;
- That after the contract was approved by the Board, correspondence was received from County Counsel and that their hourly rate is increasing from \$145/hour to \$162.50/hour.

b. District Engineer's Report - None

13. Director's Report

14. Communications - None

15. Upcoming Events

- a. The next Dixon Regional Watershed Authority Board Meeting will be determined.

16. Announcements

The next Dixon RCD Business Meeting will be August 13, 2014, at 6:00 p.m.

17. Adjournment

The Dixon RCD Board meeting adjourned to the hour of 8:15 p.m.



Janice Beaman
Office Manager, CMC
Dixon Resource Conservation District

