

TAHOE RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 8, 2011

Attendees:

District Directors:

**Robert Anderson, President
Carl Ribaldo, Vice President
Joyce Blackstone, Treasurer
David C. Antonucci, Director**

District Staff/NRCS

**Dave Roberts, District Manager
Holly Nattress, Admin. Manager
Cheryle Scarborough, Accountant
Kim Boyd, BRP Manager
Peter Brumis, Public Outreach Specialist
Woody Loftis, NRCS**

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Anderson called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. The meeting was held in the Plaza 89 Conference Room, 870 Emerald Bay Rd., So. Lake Tahoe, CA.

II. DIRECTORS' ROLL CALL

Present for Roll Call: President Anderson, Vice President Ribaldo, Treasurer Blackstone, and Director Antonucci. Director Segale was absent.

III. COMMUNICATIONS FROM AUDIENCE – Nothing under this item.

IV. CHANGES OR ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – Nothing under this item.

V. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Treasurer Blackstone, seconded by Vice President Ribaldo, for approval of the agenda, as submitted, passed unanimously.

VI. FINANCIALS

1. Invoice Transmittals

Motion by Treasurer Blackstone, seconded by Director Antonucci, for approval of the invoice transmittals, as submitted, passed unanimously.

2. Financial Summary w/Cash Balance, A/R & A/P - Received and filed
3. Financials

Because El Dorado County does not have the year-end reports to the District, as yet, there were no financials for the month of June.

VII. NRCS

1. July 2011 Activity Report – Received and filed.

VIII. CONSENT AGENDA

Director Antonucci requested that the minutes (Item #1) from the July 2011 Board meeting be moved to the Consent Forward portion of the agenda.

Motion by Treasurer Blackstone, seconded by Director Antonucci, for approval of the remaining Consent Agenda, passed unanimously.

IX. CONSENT FORWARD

1. Minutes of July 12, 2011 Board Meeting

Director Antonucci requested that his name be removed from the officers who were in attendance at the meeting. He also questioned Vice President Ribaudo's comments recorded under the Director Comments section of the minutes. Vice President Ribaudo told Director Antonucci that, in the future, he prefer that Director Antonucci bring any issue of violation to the Board's attention prior to the meeting. It was determined that because no one from the public made an issue of the Strategic Planning session not being noticed, that it was a no harm-no foul incidence according to TRCD legal counsel. In the future, all Strategic Planning Sessions will be formally noticed.

X. OLD BUSINESS – Nothing under this item.

XI. NEW BUSINESS – Nothing under this item.

XII. REPORTS

1. Budget Committee – See minutes on pages 25 & 26 in the agenda packet minutes.
2. Executive Committee – President Anderson reported that the Executive Committee met on August 1, 2011 to review the Board meeting agenda.
3. Personnel Committee – Nothing under this item.
4. Comments from Staff

Pete Brumis stated that TRCD will use Autumn Fest (September 25th) as a “kick-off” for the new TRCD logo/branding. He also mentioned that the AIS Program will be running an announcement about boat inspections before the Labor Day weekend.

Kim Boyd reported the first detection this year of quagga mussels this past Sunday on a boat coming into Lake Tahoe from Lake Mead. Thirty-seven mussels were discovered. The boat went through a decontamination process and the warren from Nevada State Parks released the boat. A press release will be submitted reporting the incidence. It is imperative to let the public know especially since there have been reports of quagga mussels in Lahontan Reservoir in Nevada. Kim also mentioned that she and Dave gave a tour of the Truckee facilities to the Truckee Meadows Association. The folks who participated were quite impressed with our AIS Watercraft Inspection Program.

Dave Roberts notified the Board that a claim has been filed by a citizen regarding CTC’s felled tree that hit a power line and caused a power outage for almost five hours. He will keep the Board apprised of the progress. He also mentioned that the TRCD has been invited to join the California Lake Tahoe Team. TRCD is the only non-state agency in the newly formed team.

5. Comments from Directors

Director Antonucci mentioned that he is noticing the TRCD’s name in the newspaper more often lately. He suggested that the District become a sponsor for the Tahoe Summit in the future. Staff mentioned that there will be TRCD banners and mock inspection presentation given for folks attending the Tahoe Summit at Homewood next week. Director Antonucci also announced that his book about Mark Twain will be out in September 2011.

Vice President Ribaudo said he saw the TRCD booth at the local farmer's market last week. He said the staff manning the booth was very knowledgeable. The booth has been instrumental in getting folks to sign up for BMP evaluations and vegetation consultations. Vice President Ribaudo also mentioned that another issue had gotten under his skin. This was regarding the issue of being in violation of the Brown Act concerning whether to or not to publicly post the Strategic Planning Session. He was disappointed that Director Antonucci was not in attendance so that he could address his concerns. He feels the episode should never have happened. He felt that any concern should have been pointed out to the Board prior to the meeting. He said that he will bring the issue up again at the next Board meeting.

Treasurer Blackstone mentioned that she also has seen the TRCD booth at the farmer's market. She announced the October 2011 Board meeting will be her last. After fifteen years on the Board, she has decided to resign. She will most likely spend the winter in Cabo San Lucas. She has recommendations on someone who would make a good candidate for a director on our Board.

President Anderson stated that the employee bar-b-que has been rescheduled for September 17th beginning at 11:00 am. All staff and their families are invited.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

President Anderson adjourned the meeting at 10:30.

Robert Anderson, President

Holly Nattress, Administrative Manager