



**CENTRAL SACRAMENTO VALLEY
RESOURCE CONSERVATION & DEVELOPMENT AREA COUNCIL
P.O. Box 606 • 327 Fourth Street, Orland, CA 95963**

EXECUTIVE MEETING MINUTES

Date: Monday, February 9, 2004

Time: Called to Order at 8:05 a.m. by Gary Freeman, President

Place: CSV RC&D Area Council Office

I. Roll Call

A. Council Members

Gary Freeman, President and Glenn County Supervisor
Mike Yalow, Treasurer and Mayor of Orland
Ernie White, Tehama County RCD
Ross Turner, Tehama County Supervisor
Christy Scofield, Vice President and Colusa County Supervisor (via phone)

B. Members Absent

none

C. Other Guests

Larry Akin, RC&D Coordinator, Central Sacramento Valley RC&D
Kandi Manhart, Executive Assistant, Central Sacramento Valley RC&D

II. Posting of Meeting Agenda

Akin confirmed meeting notice was posted per Brown Act.

III. Approval of December 8, 2004 Meeting Minutes

Turner moved to approve the minutes as presented. Yalow seconded. Approved unanimously.

IV. Approval of the Butte County Annexation Application

Turner asked if Butte County Board of Supervisors approved the joining of CSV RC&D through taking action. Akin confirmed. Discussion occurred.

Yalow moved to approve submission of the Annexation Application for the Expansion of the CSV RC&D Area to Chuck Bell and Secretary of Agriculture, Ann Veneman. Turner seconded. Approved unanimously.

V. Continued use of Kelly Services or a local payroll service

Turner moved to continue using Kelly Services as the payroll service.

Akin brought to the Council's attention that Kelly Services charges \$4.94 per hour for their payroll services. This totals \$6,200.00 per year. He noted that there are

other options, such as Angel Mason from Corning; the cost would be \$25 per payroll, \$100 per quarterly report. The savings per year would be approximately \$5,200.00. President Freeman recommended that the Council contact Bruce Hubbell or Rose Mary Corners from Orland. Yalow suggested contacting Kelly Dobbins from Orland. Discussion occurred concerning the reliability of the service provider. Scofield mentioned that they go through One-Stop, Stewart Knox. Scofield will get further details and inform the Council. President Freeman noted that Glenn County also has One-Stop. A packet with a detailed spreadsheet will be presented at the next Council meeting for further consideration.

Turner rescinded the motion and requested to see references from Angel Mason and any other potential service providers.

VI. Olive Fruit Fly Activities update

Akin presented meeting notes from the 1-29-04 Olive Fruit Fly Meeting (refer to notes). He noted the scope of initial project: 1) Public Education, 2) Tree Location Survey, and 3) Incentive (Pilot) Program. Akin also mentioned a possible grant opportunity through Union Pacific Railroad. Turner noted that although Glenn and Colusa Counties is not in the line of the railroad, Butte County is. Freeman noted that McConnell Foundation could also be a possibility.

White mentioned to Akin that if he wrote Larry Branham a letter requesting an aerial photograph of olive trees, the request may occur. Akin said he could make requests to both District Conservationists.

VII. Rural Roads Project update

Akin noted the \$22,000 is still in the account. The project involves Glenn and Colusa Counties. Also, the plan is to create a large workshop for the end of March; one day dedicated to learning about rural road erosion and one day to actually observe and use equipment in the field.

VIII. Ag/Nature Tourism update

Akin handed out a list of interested individuals willing to serve on county specific, Ag/Nature Tourism County Steering Committees. The purpose is to concentrate more on specific counties verse all four counties at once. He mentioned that the people involved will have a strong voice in their particular county and may articulate their needs better. The four steering committees could meet quarterly and share information. The Council agreed that this new method is a good idea.

Akin proceeded to ask the Council if they had any suggestions for steering committee members in Colusa County. Scofield mentioned that Johnna Ornbaun and Jim Keegan could possibly be involved. Also, ask Peter Jukusky. Akin replied that Johnna Ornbaun wasn't interested and Jim Keegan has yet to return his phone call. Akin will contact Peter Jukusky.

IX. Status of D&O, Liability Insurance Coverage

Akin noted that the application has been sent to the underwriter of Driver Alliance Insurance and should be hearing from them soon for an exact quote.

X. Review of Council finances

Yalow noted that the NRCS funds were deposited, as well as the advancement from the USDA Forest Service grant. He noted that the Yosemite-Sequoia RC&D requested \$1,500 from the USDA Forest Service grant. A check will be issued. Also, Manhart has sent an invoice to CARC&DC and has separated her hours between the two existing CSV RC&D grants. Once Manhart and Akin meet to finalize the separating, the grants will be charged. Yalow said he will need to add an additional in-house account to comply with this. He also noted that the Tri-Counties, Willows branch office is charging a \$15.00 service charge. The request submitted in the Orland branch did not transfer to the Willows branch. Discussion occurred about changing branches and/or banks. Turner suggested a letter be submitted to the branch requesting the service charge be removed since the CSV RC&D is a non-profit. Once doing so the Council will make their decision on the banking methods.

XI. Setting March full Council meeting schedule

Next Meeting will be held March 8, 2004 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Items to be placed on the agenda:

- Bill Burrows, Sunflower Coordinated Resource Management Plan
 - Project's relationship to Environment and Economic Development
 - How the RC&D can provide support
- Debra Lucero, Ag/Nature Tourism
- Rural Roads
- Olive Fruit Fly
- Ag/Nature Tourism
- Kelly Services versus another payroll service

Akin will ask for agenda items closer to the March 8th meeting. There may be no Executive Committee meeting.

XII. Miscellaneous

April 2, 2004 is the Area RCD Meeting in Tehama County.

April 28-30, 2004 is the CARC&DC Spring Legislative Conference in Sacramento at the Hawthorn Suites. President Freeman encouraged as many Council Members to attend as possible. Potential speakers include A.G. Kawamura, Secretary for the California Department of Food and Agriculture and David Reade and Doug LaMalfa, Assemblymen. Dave Driscoll, Northern Region Chief, CDF and Gary Smith, International Association of Fire Chiefs, will be attending to talk about Fire Safe Planning within the urban-wildland interface (UWI). The room rates are \$84. Registration has yet to be determined.

There is an Ag/Nature Tourism workshop, put on by the Small Farm Center, April 14th in Tulare. Akin will forward further information.

Scofield noted that the counties grant search through ECIVIS. President Freeman said he would look further into it.

White brought to the Councils attention that Redding is currently being sued. He explained that they must pay volunteers a prevailing wage depending on the funding source.

XIII. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned by President Freeman at 9:00 a.m.

Respectively submitted,

Kandi Manhart, Executive Assistant