SUMMARY MINUTES

Regular Meeting
Monday, July 11, 2016
6:00 p.m.

Note: Agenda items are occasionally considered out of order to accommodate the schedules of guest speakers and/or members of the public in attendance for a specific item. The official minutes remain recorded in the same order as originally published in the official agenda.

Call to Order: President Castillo called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. The following Directors were present: Roger Castillo, Mondy Lariz, and Bill Leikam. Director Rick Lanman arrived at 6:12 p.m.

Staff present: Executive Director (ED) Stephanie Moreno.

1. Approval of Agenda
   Motion: Approve the agenda as presented. (Lariz/Moore; 3-0-0)

2. Public Comment: None

3. Consent Agenda: It was requested to hold approval of Item 3.1.1 until the arrival of Director Lanman.
   Motion: Approve the consent agenda as amended. (Moore/Lariz; 3-0-0)
   Motion: Approve the minutes of June 13, 2016 (Item 3.1.1 on the consent agenda). (Lanman/Lariz; 4-0-0)

4. Agency/Partner Reports
   4.1 Natural Resources Conservation Service (USDA-NRCS)
       4.1.1 District Conservationist Report: Hollister Office: Erika Boyland reviewed her written report with the Board.
       4.1.2 District Conservationist Report: Livermore Office: None
   1. Santa Clara Valley Water District (SCVWD) - Afshin Rouhani, Engineering Unit Manager, SCVWD Water Resources Policy and Planning, made an announcement regarding the recent grant cycle for the Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection program.

5. Presentations
   5.1 Tule Elk of California - Julie and Stu Phillips were present for a discussion requested by the Board on the possibility of GCRCD facilitating projects with local ranchers to improve elk habitat. The ED will contact potential stakeholders and research additional information, and bring it back to the Board at a later date.
6. **Projects and Programs**

6.1 Review and approval of grant match request from the Santa Clara Valley Open Space Authority (OSA) for a radio collar program for bobcat and gray fox in the Coyote Valley. – Galli Basson, OSA Resource Management Specialist, reviewed OSA’s request to participate in the proposed project.

*Motion: Approve up to $1,500 for the purchase of telemetry radio receiver and antennae that can be loaned to the project, but remain as GCRCD property. (Lanman/Moore; 4-0-0)*

6.2 Update on partners’ grant applications for funding under the SCVWD Safe, Clean Water and Natural Flood Protection Program (Measure B):

6.2.1 Working Partnerships USA: Coyote Creek Invasive Plant Removal and Revegetation Project (a maximum of $8,250.00 cash match from GCRCD). – The grant application was approved by the SCVWD Board of Directors and is awaiting agreement approval.

6.2.2 Campus Community Association: Metcalf Ponds/Parkway Lakes Steelhead Habitat and Passage Improvement project ($8,900 in-kind match from GCRCD). – The grant application was approved by the SCVWD Board of Directors and is awaiting agreement approval.

6.3 Discussion regarding the Alamitos Drop Structure and its impact on the fisheries within GCRCD watersheds. – ED Moreno gave an update on efforts by GCRCD and other organizations to have the SCVWD improve fish habitat at this location. Dave Poeschel of the Loma Prieta Sierra Club also participated in the discussion.

6.4 Determination of priorities for geographic information to be included in the GCRCD mapping project. – ED Moreno reviewed the purpose of the project and solicited feedback from the Directors.

7. **Administrative**

7.1 Review and approval of payment of 2016 dues to the California Association of Resource Conservation Districts (CARCD) in the amount of $3,553.08. – ED Moreno gave background on recent involvement in CARCD activities. The Directors expressed concern regarding the responsiveness and relevancy of the organization to current GCRCD efforts.

*Motion: Approve a change in membership level to “supporting”, with a contribution at the minimum recommended level of $300.00 for the 2016 membership year (Lariz/Moore; 4-0-0)*

7.2 Annual review and update of GCRCD policies. – ED Moreno reviewed the policies with the Board and recommended that they be continued in force as adopted. The Board concurred.

7.3 Review and approval of the 2016-17 Preliminary Budget. – ED Moreno reviewed the draft preliminary budget with the Board.

*Motion: Adopt the proposed preliminary budget for 2016-17. (Lanman/Lariz; 4-0-0)*

8. **GCRCD Director/Associate Director/Staff Reports**

9. **Adjourn until August 8, 2016.**
Consent Agenda (Item 3)
July 11, 2016

3.1 Minutes
  3.1.1 Approve the minutes for the June 13, 2016 GCRCD Board meeting.

3.2 Financial
  3.2.1 Approve the financial reports for June 2016.
  3.2.2 Approve FY 2015-16 quarterly expense reimbursement requests for the Executive Director in the amount of $2,237.61.

3.3 Grants and Agreements

3.4 Miscellaneous
  3.4.1 Establish a FAHCE ad hoc committee and appoint President Castillo and Vice President Lanman as Board representatives for FY 2016-17.