

Ventura County Resource Conservation District



RESOURCE
CONSERVATION

Aubrey E. Sloan, President
Mike Mobley, Vice President/Treasurer
Kevin Cannon, Director
Peggy Ludington, Director
Merrill Berge, Director
Tom Crocker, Director
Bill Morris, Director

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors Wednesday, March 15, 2017

1. **CALL TO ORDER** The **March 15, 2017 Regular** meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ventura County Resource Conservation District (RCD) was called to order by President **Sloan** at 8:32 a.m., at the Ventura County Resource Conservation District Office, located at 3380 Somis Road, Somis, CA 93066, with a quorum of Directors present.

2. **ROLL CALL & INTRODUCTIONS**

Mike Mobley was absent
Bill Morris was present
Kevin Cannon was present
Tom Crocker was present (departed early)
Aubrey Sloan was present
Peggy Ludington was present
Merrill Berge was present

STAFF PRESENT:

Debra Gillis-Bradley, Interim Executive Officer

3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA** President **Sloan** presented the agenda for board approval.

On motion by Director **Crocker**, Seconded by Director **Cannon**, the Board adopted the **March 15, 2017** Agenda. Motion carried 6-0.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT** - Dawn Afman and Liz Keith of NRCS were present. Dawn introduced Liz Keith as the new Soil Conservationist in Oxnard. Applications for the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) are now being accepted, and there is \$700,000 available for the Calleguas watershed for irrigation automation. The cutoff to apply is 5/24/2017 to be ranked for funding.

5. **CLOSED SESSION**

5.1 Personnel Matter. Cal Gov't Code § 54957. Public Employee Appointment, Evaluation of Performance, Discipline or Dismissal

6. **RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION AND REPORT ON ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION.**

Upon Motion by Director **Morris**, Seconded by Director **Ludington**, the Board appointed Debra Gillis as the Interim Executive Officer with an annual salary of \$66,393. Motion carried 6-0.

7. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

All items listed on the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine matters, status reports or documents covering previous District action and can be considered in one motion.

7.1 The minutes of the February 15, 2017 Regular Meeting were presented for approval.

On Motion by Director **Cannon**, Seconded by Director **Morris** the February 15, 2017 minutes were approved as amended. Motion carried 4-1. Abstain: **Ludington**.

7.2 Financial Reports for February 2017.

On Motion by Director **Morris**, Seconded by Director **Cannon**, the Board approved the February 2017 financial reports. Motion carried 5-0.

8. **ACTION CALENDAR**

8.1 **Discussion and possible action on avenues of funding for the District.**

President **Sloan** talked about assessments and plans for future funding. No action taken.

8.2 **Discussion and possible action on a resolution to authorize submission of an application to the Department of Conservation for CARCD capacity building funding.**

On motion by Director **Ludington**, Seconded by Director **Morris**, the board voted to adopt a resolution to authorize submission of an application to the Department of Conservation for CARCD capacity building funding. Motion carried 5-0.

8.3 **Discussion and possible action on the auto lease for the Toyota Avalon.**

No action taken.

9. **REPORTS**

9.1 Reports by Staff

9.2 Reports by Directors

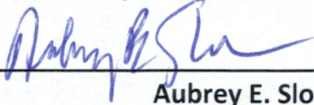
10. **DISCUSSION CALENDAR**

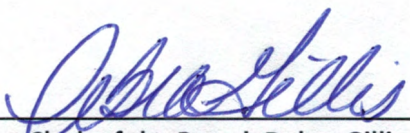
11. **REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS BY DIRECTORS** – None

12. **ADJOURNMENT:** President **Sloan** adjourned the meeting at 11:01 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Debra Gillis, Interim Executive Officer

MINUTES APPROVED: April 19, 2017

President: 
Aubrey E. Sloan

Attest: 
Clerk of the Board, Debra Gillis