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NTCD Board Minutes
July 18, 2013
The Parasol, Trepp Room
948 Incline Way, Incline Village, NV
10:00 AM Start Time

Present:

Supervisor Smith
Supervisor Perlman-Whyman
Supervisor Freeman
Supervisor McCarthy
Supervisor Penzel
Supervisor Berkbigler

Staff/Others

D. Martin, District Manager
M. Thorpe, Administrator
J. Locurto, CDP
W. Loftis, NRCS
J. Brand, Program Manager
D. Olson, Environ. Scientist

Absent:

Supervisor Sarnoff and Supervisor Endicott

1. Call to Order by Chair Smith.
2. Supervisor Roll Call: see above
3. Approval of the Agenda: Supervisor Perlman-Whyman moved to approve the Agenda, seconded by Supervisor Berkbigler, motion carried unanimously.
4. Public Interests Comments: Supervisor Smith reported the thirty year concession contract is up for bid at Round Hill Pines Beach and Marina. It will include a lot of improvements, which might mean help/work from the District.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Items 5a, 5b, 5c, 5d, 5e, and 6c were pulled from the consent calendar for further discussion.

Supervisor Berkbigler moved to approve the Consent Calendar (items 6a, 6b, and 6d with all other items pulled), seconded by Supervisor McCarthy, motion carried unanimously.

5. Agency Reports, Discussion/Possible Action
 - a. Moved to Administrative calendar.
 - b. Moved to Administrative calendar.
 - c. Moved to Administrative calendar.
 - d. Moved to Administrative calendar.
 - e. Moved to Administrative calendar.

6. Discussion/Possible Action (Business)
 - a. For Possible Action: Approval of the Board of Supervisors meeting minutes for May 16, 2013.
 - b. For Possible Action: Approval of the NTCD financial reports for May 2013. As of 5/31/13, the District's Fund balance was \$112,568. This represents the District's available spendable resources, or assets less liabilities. May had a surplus of \$467. May had no abnormal expenses or revenue.
 - d. For Possible Action: Approval of FY 2014 Proposed Budget and Annual Work Plan submitted to Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Conservation District Program.

ADMINISTRATIVE CALENDAR

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS PULLED FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION

Item 5a) For Possible Action: NRCS report. W. Loftis of NRCS reported there is a new initiative to update the definition of SEZ. Supervisor McCarthy said agreeing on a definition would be very helpful. The current definitions cause frustration with the local governments. NRCS is working on a concept of using disks for determining where to stop work in SEZ areas. NRCS might move in with TRCD for office space. Supervisor Perlman-Whyman asked Dave White to speak at NvACD's annual meeting. She also supported keeping NRCS's logo on the USDA logo when working on projects involving NRCS.

Item 5b) For Possible Action: NACD report. Supervisor Perlman-Whyman recently attended NACD's Summer Board meeting and Legislative Conference. At the meeting, the water issues panel had a lot of interest for Lake Tahoe. NACD and BLM renewed their MOU. Next year's meeting will be the summer of 2014 in Indianapolis. A fly-in to Washington D.C. for legislative session and interaction with congress will be March 2014. NACD is helping support climate change science.

Item 5c) For Possible Action: Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Conservation District Program (CDP) report. Joe Locurto, of CDP, reported: CDP is based in Carson City, but Joe does travel throughout the state visiting rural districts; the Sage Grouse Ecosystem Program has been a priority so far; the Sage Grouse Program hired two Conservation Specialists recently and is looking to hire a third; the Legislature increased the annual funding to conservation districts to \$3,500 and created a grant pool for conservation districts for sage grouse habitat.

Item 5d) For Possible Action: NvACD report. This item was discussed during items 5a and 5b.

Item 5e) For Possible Action: Staff report. On July 24th the District will present the Hybrid project as part of SWCS's tour. At SWCS's international conference, Environmental Scientist Olson will attend the "Using Social Indicators in Watershed Management" workshop. The August Board meeting has been cancelled. The September Board meeting will be in Douglas County. The Lake Tahoe Summit is August 19th at Sand Harbor.

Item 6c) For Possible Action: Approval of the NTCD financial reports for June 2013. As of 6/30/13, the District's Fund balance was \$108,852. This represents the District's available spendable resources, or assets less liabilities. June had a deficit of \$1,372. Items of note for June: Received \$3,000 from Carson City for the general fund, A/R and A/P are unusually high due to Glenbrook Creek construction, and paid \$5,199 for annual liability/property insurance. The year ended with a deficit of \$29,748. Thankfully, cash was not an issue during the year. Supervisor Berkbigler moved to approve the June 2013 financial reports, seconded by Supervisor Penzel, motion carried unanimously.

7. For Possible Action: Review and Approval of agreement with USFS for the Burke Creek Hwy 50 crossing project. The agreement was presented by Environmental Scientist Pook. This is for the USFS's portion of the project, \$957,896. Supervisor McCarthy moved to approve the agreement (District Manager to sign), seconded by Supervisor Freeman, motion carried unanimously.

8. For Possible Action: Review and approval of agreement with NDEP for the Residential BMP project. The agreement was presented by Program Manager Brand. The only difference from previous BMP grants, the District will be asking the homeowner for a voluntary fee. The request is more of an outreach, in the future BMPs might cost the homeowner due to lack of funding. Supervisor Berkgigler moved to approve the agreement, seconded by Supervisor Freeman, motion carried unanimously.
9. For Possible Action: Review and Approval of agreement with NDSL for the Invasive Weed management project. This is a continuation of a current project, to treat invasive weeds in the Tahoe Basin. Supervisor Freeman moved to approve the agreement, seconded by Supervisor Berkgigler, motion carried unanimously.
10. For Possible Action: Review and Approval of agreement with USFS for SLRP (Stormwater Load Reduction Plans) Phase 2. This is the final step towards implementation of the TMDL. Supervisor McCarthy moved to approve the agreement (District Manager to sign), seconded by Supervisor Berkgigler, motion carried unanimously.
11. For Possible Action: Presentation/Discussion/Update of Tahoe Yellow Cress (TYC) project. The project was presented by Environmental Scientist Olson. TYC is an endangered species in the Tahoe Basin. It only grows in the Tahoe Basin. The lake level affects TYC; it prefers low lake levels. Education is a large portion of the project. It is very difficult contacting and educating the homeowners. This project is trying to keep the plant off the federal endangered species list.
12. Supervisor Comments: Supervisor Perlman-Whyman will be attending the Clean Energy Summit, August 13, in Las Vegas. Supervisor McCarthy reminded everyone the Lake Tahoe Summit is August 19th at Sand Harbor; and there is online registration. Supervisor Freeman reported there are White Satin Moths in the aspen groves on Spooner summit. Supervisor Smith reported the Presbyterian Church in S. Lake Tahoe will have an alternative energy meeting next week.
13. Public Interest Comments: None.
14. Motion to Adjourn: Supervisor Berkgigler moved to adjourn, seconded by Supervisor Freeman, motion carried unanimously.