

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

April 11th, 2018 at 11:30 AM

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Directors Present: President Paul Williams; Vice-President Jim Earsom; Secretary-Treasurer Jim Harrington; Director Brad Buller; Director Alison Mathisen

Directors Absent: Director Terrie Andrews; Director Rick Gomez

Staff Present: District Manager Mandy Parkes; Natural Resources Manager Jacob Skaggs; Education Coordinator Jasmine Orozco; Project Manager Susie Kirschner; Project Manager Brian Robey; Administrative Assistant Jennifer Castillo

Members of the Public: NRCS District Conservationist Tomas Aguilar-Campos; NRCS/American Bird Conservancy Biologist Rachel Smith; Best, Best & Krieger Attorney Steve Anderson; San Bernardino National Forest Interns Zach Smith and Torrey Rotellini

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Paul Williams at 11:41 AM

II. PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input

III. CONSENT CALENDAR

Director Brad Buller provided the motion to approve the consent calendar and Director Alison Mathisen provided the second. The consent calendar was approved unanimously, 5-0.

Andrews	Absent	Buller	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Gomez	Absent
Harrington	Aye	Mathisen	Aye
Williams	Aye		

IV. REPORTS

a. BB&K Billing Report

There was no discussion on the BB&K billing report.

b. Staff Reports

Staff members provided brief additions to April board reports.

c. NRCS Update

Redlands Field Office District Conservationist Tomas Aguilar-Campos introduced new American Bird Conservancy-NRCS Partner Biologist Rachel Smith to attendees. Ms. Smith provided personal and professional background information in addition to her submitted board report.

d. SAWA Update

There was no discussion on the SAWA update.

- e. CARCD Update
There was no discussion on the CARCD Update.
- f. Special Projects Funds Report
There was no discussion on the Special Projects Funds Report.

V. PRESENTATION

- a. University of Redlands Student Intern Presentation on Rare Habitat Assessment and Mapping in the Big Bear Valley
University of Redlands student interns Zach Smith and Torrey Rotellini presented a PowerPoint on their assessment and mapping work in cooperation with the University of Redlands, The United States Forest Service, and The San Bernardino Mountains Land Trust, funded with 2017-18 Special Project Fund monies.
- b. IERCD 2017-18 Special Projects Funds Presentation
There was no Special Projects Funds Presentation.

President Williams adjourned to closed session at 12:43 PM

VI. CLOSED SESSION

- a. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS
Property: APN 413-100-004, 413-100-012; 413-420-001; 413-110-013
Agency negotiator: Mandy Parkes
Negotiating Party: Holmes Family Trust
Under negotiation: Price and terms of payment

President Williams adjourned out of closed session at 1:02 PM. There was no reportable action out of closed session.

VII. OLD/NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discussion and Possible Approval of Resolution No. 2018-03, a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District Approving the In-Lieu Fee Program Enabling Instrument and Finding the Instrument Exempt from Review Under the California Environmental Quality Act Pursuant to State EQA Guidelines 15061, 15301, 15302, 15304, 15306, 15307, 15308, 15313, 15317, and 15325
Vice-president Jim Earsom made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2018-03, a Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Inland Empire Resource Conservation District Approving the In-Lieu Fee Program Enabling Instrument and Finding the Instrument Exempt from Review Under the California Environmental Quality Act Pursuant to State EQA Guidelines 15061, 15301, 15302, 15304, 15306, 15307, 15308, 15313, 15317, and 15325. Director Brad Buller provided the second. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Andrews	Absent	Buller	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Gomez	Absent
Harrington	Aye	Mathisen	Aye

Williams	Aye
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- b. Discussion and Possible Approval of Amendments to NRCS Cooperative Agreements NR17-9104-C001 and 68-9104-17-042

Vice-president Jim Earsom made a motion to approve Amendments to NRCS Cooperative Agreements NR17-9104-C001 and 68-9104-17-042. Director Brad Buller provided the second. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Andrews	Absent	Buller	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Gomez	Absent
Harrington	Aye	Mathisen	Aye
Williams	Aye		

- c. Discussion and Possible Approval of Strategic Planning Proposal from Solid Ground Consulting
Director Alison Mathisen made a motion to approve the Strategic Planning Proposal from Solid Ground Consulting. Director Jim Harrington provided the second. The motion was approved 4-0-1 with Vice-president Jim Earsom dissenting.

Andrews	Absent	Buller	Aye
Earsom	Nay	Gomez	Absent
Harrington	Aye	Mathisen	Aye
Williams	Aye		

- d. Discussion and Possible Approval of Representative to the CARCD Forestry Committee
Director Brad Buller made a motion to support the application of IERCD Project Manager Susie Kirschner to the CARCD Forestry Committee, serving either as the Regional Representative for the SoCal Inland Region, or as one of three member-at-large positions. Vice-President Jim Earsom provided the second. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Andrews	Absent	Buller	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Gomez	Absent
Harrington	Aye	Mathisen	Aye
Williams	Aye		

- e. Discussion and Possible Approval of Access Permit with the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District

Vice-president Jim Earsom made a motion to approve the Access Permit with the San Bernardino Valley Water Conservation District. Director Brad Buller provided the second. The motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Andrews	Absent	Buller	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Gomez	Absent
Harrington	Aye	Mathisen	Aye
Williams	Aye		

- f. Discussion and Possible Approval of Alternate for the Santa Ana Watershed Association
Director Alison Mathisen made a motion to approve IERCD Natural Resources Manager Jacob Skaggs as the new alternate for the Santa Ana Watershed Association Board of Directors. Director Brad Buller provided the second and the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Andrews	Absent	Buller	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Gomez	Absent
Harrington	Aye	Mathisen	Aye
Williams	Aye		

- g. Discussion and Possible Approval of Action on LAFCO Countywide Oversight Board Elections
Director Jim Harrington made a motion to cast IERCD's vote for Cindy Saks for the position of regular special district member to the LAFCO Countywide Oversight Board, and T. Milford Harrison as the alternate special district member. Director Alison Mathisen provided the second. The motion was approved unanimously, 5-0.

Andrews	Absent	Buller	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Gomez	Absent
Harrington	Aye	Mathisen	Aye
Williams	Aye		

- h. Discussion and Possible Approval of Action on LAFCO Commission Regular Special District Member Selection
Director Alison Mathisen made a motion to cast IERCD's vote for James Curatalo as regular special district member to the LAFCO commission. Vice-president Jim Earsom provided the second and the motion passed unanimously, 5-0.

Andrews	Absent	Buller	Aye
Earsom	Aye	Gomez	Absent
Harrington	Aye	Mathisen	Aye
Williams	Aye		

VIII. GENERAL DISCUSSION FOR THE GOOD OF THE DISTRICT

Environmental Education Center

District Manager Mandy Parkes provided a brief update on the status of IERCD's in-progress environmental education center site.

- a. Budget Committee Memo
Secretary-Treasurer Jim Harrington provided an overview of recent discussion and training with Rogers, Anderson, Malody and Scott (RAMS) regarding options for IERCD investments management.

IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a. The Association of San Bernardino County Special Districts will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, April 16th hosted by the Chino Basin Water Conservation District HQ, 4594 San Bernardino Street in Montclair, featuring Mike Antos from the Inland Empire Utilities Agency addressing attendees on water and environmental justice communities

President Paul Williams, Secretary-Treasurer Jim Harrington, and District Manager Parkes will attend the ASBCSD Meeting.

X. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

a. IERCD 2018-19 Budget Presentation


b. First Annual IERCD Scholarship Award Selection

XI. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

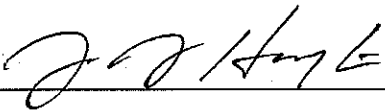
XII. ADJOURN MEETING

This meeting was adjourned by President Paul Williams at 1:45 PM.

Approved this 10th Day of May, 2018



Paul Williams, Board President



Jim Harrington, Secretary-Treasurer

