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SPECIAL BOARD MEETING

SEVEN HUNDRED FORTY-FIFTH MEETING

Tuesday July 15, 2014—1:00 P.M.

Resource Conservation District Office

NPS Peter Strauss Ranch: 30000 Mulholland Hwy., Agoura Hills, CA 91301

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** the meeting was called to order by President R.C. Brody at 1:01 p.m. A quorum was established with Directors Beth Burnam, Steve Rosentsweig and Mary Ellen Strote in attendance. Director Nancy Helsley was absent. Also in attendance were RCD staff members Clark Stevens, Executive Officer, and John Hendra, Operations Manager.
2. **INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS:** there were no guests.
3. **PUBLIC COMMENTS:** there were no public comments.
4. **CONSENT CALENDAR: Moved/Seconded: Mr. Brody/Ms. Burnam; approved 4-0**
 - **MINUTES:** Approval of minutes for meeting of June 23, 2014
 - **MONTHLY CLAIMS AND FINANCIALS:** Approval of financial report and claims for June 2014
5. **REGULAR CALENDAR**
 - A. Approval of lease contract for office space at Wildwood property in Topanga Canyon: Mr. Stevens received the revisions to the lease contract from the landowner's attorney an hour before this meeting, so neither he nor Ms. Burnam had had a chance to review them. After discussion of the negotiating process and significant contract provisions, approval of the lease was tabled to a future meeting.
 - B. Approval of Cooperative Agreement with NRCS for \$60,000 to hire irrigation management specialist to work with landowners on water conservation: the Cooperative Agreement was not available, so the item was tabled to a future meeting.
 - C. Approval of revision to fiscal year 2014-15 budget: Moved/Seconded: Mr. Rosentsweig/Ms. Burnam; approved 4-0
 - D. Approval of Resolution No. 2014-07-01: Transferring Treasurer Authority from the Los Angeles County Auditor-Controller to the Board of Directors of the

Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains (revision of Resolution No. 2013-01-01): Moved/Seconded: Ms. Burnam/Ms. Strote; approved 3-0 with Mr. Brody abstaining.

6. USDA/NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE REPORT:
no report.

7. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

A. Staff Reports for June:

- i. Clark Stevens, Executive Officer (oral): Mr. Stevens submitted 4 project proposals to NRCS District Conservationist Dawn Afman for funding through the Regional Conservation Partnership Program.
- ii. John Hendra, Operations Manager (written)
- iii. Stephen Vodantis, Education Supervisor (written)
- iv. Rosi Dagit, Senior Conservation Biologist (written)

8. CORRESPONDENCE

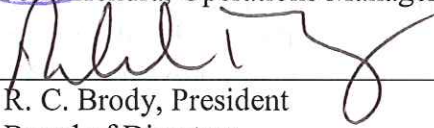
- A. Letter from RCSDMM to Los Angeles County Auditor-Controller requesting closure of two funds, giving instructions for dispersal of monies from the closed funds and transmitting the authorization form to distribute future tax apportionments

9. DIRECTORS' COMMENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS: None

10. ADJOURNMENT: Moved/Seconded: Mr. Brody/Mr. Rosentsweig; approved 4-0.
The meeting was adjourned at 1:36 p.m.

Submitted by: 
John Hendra, Operations Manager

Date: 8/13/15

Approved by: 
R. C. Brody, President
Board of Directors

Date: 8/24/15