

MEETING MINUTES

Date:

Monday, July 15, 2024 1:00 PM to 3:00 PM

Time: Location:

Glenn County Farm Bureau, 831 5th Street, Orland, CA 95963

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Gilbert Goedhart, President; Brian Lohse; Treasurer; Mike Landini

and John Whitney

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Jocelyn Anderson, Craig Knight and Bruce Roundy

ASSOCIATE DIRECTORS PRESENT: None

ASSOCIATE DIRECTORS ABSENT: Kathy Landini and Mike Yalow

OTHERS PRESENT: George Pendell, Stony Creek/Landowner; Teri DuBose, Representative for Congressman Doug LaMalfa; Lizzeth Mendoza and Curt Pierce, UC ANR/UCCE-Glenn County; Lorri Pride, Glenn County Fire Chief's Association; Lisa Humphreys, Glenn County Farm Bureau; Tim McClanahan, Golden State Risk Management Authority; Margot Flynn, Sacramento Valley Soil Hub; Vivian Wauters, UC ANR; Kristin Guy, USDA-Natural Resources Conservation Service; Kandi Manhart-Belding, Ritta Martin, Kellie Wilson-Burt, Samantha Loprieato, Ashlee Veneman, Greg Conant, and Martin Spannaus, RCD Staff.

I--CALL TO ORDER

President Goedhart called the meeting to order at 1:12 PM

II--PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ensued.

III--WELCOME, INTRODUCTIONS & OFFICIAL ROLL CALL

President Goedhart provided welcome; introductions and roll call ensued. Quorum achieved.

IV--PUBLIC COMMENT (limit 5 minutes): Any person wishing to address the Board on items not on the agenda may do so at this time. The Board will not

make decisions or determinations on items brought up during Public Comment.

Tim McClanahan recognized Glenn County Resource Conservation District for receiving the highest rank available in GSRMA's 2023-2024 Risk Management Accreditation Program (RMAP); he presented a check in the amount of 10% of the RCD's current year contribution. Congratulations RCD!

V--DIRECTOR OFFICER ELECTIONS FOR FY 2024-2025

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*Election of Officers - President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer

President Goedhart entertained an officer election. Discussion ensued.

Nominations ensued with action items:

ACTION: Approve **Secretary**, Kandi Manhart-Belding.

MOTION: Goedhart SECOND: Whitney

AYES: Goedhart, Whitney, Landini, Lohse

NOES: None

ABSTENSIONS: None RE-CUSED: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Knight, Roundy

ACTION: Approve Vice President, Brian Lohse.

MOTION: Landini SECOND: Goedhart

AYES: Landini, Goedhart, Whitney, Lohse

NOES: None

ABSTENSIONS: None RE-CUSED: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Knight, Roundy

ACTION: Approve Treasurer, Jocelyn Anderson.

MOTION: Goedhart SECOND: Lohse

AYES: Goedhart, Lohse, Whitney, Landini

NOES: None

ABSTENSIONS: None RE-CUSED: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Knight, Roundy

ACTION: Approve President, Gilbert Goedhart,

MOTION: Landini SECOND: Whitney

AYES: Landini, Whitney, Goedhart, Lohse

NOES: None

ABSTENSIONS: None RE-CUSED: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Knight, Roundy

VI--CONSENT CALENDAR

*ACTION

- A.*Approve RCD meeting minutes for April 15, 2024
- B.*Approve SWEEP Grant Agreement with Awardee Template, v2 [Funding source: CDFA]
- C.*Approve HSP Grant Agreement with Awardee Template [Funding source: CDFA]
- D.*Approve Agreement for Auditing Services dated May 3, 2024 with Smith & Newell Certified Public Accountants for fiscal years ended June 30, 2024, 2025. and 2026
- E. *Approve Agreement with USDA-NRCS #NR249104XXXC009 Preparation of a Groundwater Recharge Development Plan and associated Pilot Program in Glenn County, CA. Evaluation of current NRCS practices and implementation pilot.
- F. *Approve hiring of Samantha Loprieato for the Conservation Planner position per Vacancy Announcement May 2024, effective July 8, 2024
- G.*Approve hiring of Ashlee Veneman for the Office Administrator position per Vacancy Announcement May 2024, effective July 15, 2024
- H. *Approve hiring of Shane Rakestraw for the Wildfire and Forestry Project Coordinator position per Vacancy Announcement May 2024, effective July 16, 2024

President Goedhart entertained a motion to approve Consent Calendar agenda items.

ACTION: Approve as presented.

MOTION: Whitney SECOND: Landini

AYES: Whitney, Landini, Goedhart, Lohse

NOES: None

ABSTENSIONS: None RE-CUSED: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Knight, Roundy

VII--RCD REPORTS

A. Directors and Associate-Directors

Reports ensued.

B. Executive Officer

1. Glenn Groundwater Authority Informational Public Meetings July 18, 22, 24 Report ensued.

*ACTION

2. *Discussion and possible action to approve FY 2024-2025 Annual Plan Manhart-Belding presented draft plan. Discussion ensued. President Goedhart entertained a motion to approve agenda items.

ACTION: Approve as presented.

MOTION: Lohse SECOND: Whitney

AYES: Lohse, Whitney, Landini, Goedhart

NOES: None

ABSTENSIONS: None RE-CUSED: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Knight, Roundy

VIII--FINANCIAL/BUDGET REPORT

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A. *Discussion and possible action to accept the following reports:

- 1. UMPQUA Bank Statements and Reconciliations
- 2. Balance Sheet

Lohse provided a report on agenda item. Discussion ensued. President Goedhart entertained a motion to accept named reports.

ACTION: Accept as presented.

MOTION: Landini SECOND: Goedhart

AYES: Landini, Goedhart, Whitney, Lohse

NOES: None

ABSTENSIONS: None RE-CUSED: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Knight, Roundy

*ACTION

B. *Discussion and possible action to approve RCD Cash Disbursement Journal (Check Detail Register since previous RCD Meeting)

Lohse provided a report on agenda item. Discussion ensued. President Goedhart entertained a motion to approve named report.

ACTION: Approve as presented.

MOTION: Landini SECOND: Goedhart

AYES: Landini, Goedhart, Whitney, Lohse

NOES: None

ABSTENSIONS: None RE-CUSED: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Knight, Roundy

*ACTION

C. *Discussion and possible action to approve staff compensation adjustments to those qualified, effective July 1, 2024

Manhart-Belding/Goedhart/Lohse provided report on agenda item. Discussion ensued. President Goedhart entertained a motion to approve adjustments.

ACTION: Approve as presented.

MOTION: Landini SECOND: Whitney

AYES: Landini, Whitney, Goedhart, Lohse

NOES: None

ABSTENSIONS: None RE-CUSED: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Knight, Roundy

*ACTION

D. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution 2024-04: Approving Adoption of CalPERS 457 Plan

Manhart-Belding/Goedhart/Lohse provided report on agenda item. Discussion ensued. Manhart-Belding noted this is step 1 of a 5 step CalPERS process; she will also work on a simple RCD policy and procedures to implement the new retirement. President Goedhart entertained a motion to approve Resolution.

ACTION: Approve Resolution 2024-04: Approving Adoption of

CalPERS 457 as presented.

MOTION: Landini SECOND: Whitney

AYES: Landini, Whitney, Goedhart, Lohse

NOES: None

ABSTENSIONS: None RE-CUSED: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Knight, Roundy

IX--RCD PROJECTS & PROGRAMS UPDATE

✓ Healthy Soils Program (HSP)

✓ State Water Efficiency and Enhancement Program (SWEEP)

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A *Discussion and possible action to accept recommendation from the Glenn County Climate Smart Ag Committee for SWEEP Grant Awards / Recipients Chair of the committee, Lisa Humphreys, reported. Discussion ensued. President Goedhart entertained a motion to approve agenda item.

ACTION: Approve as presented.

MOTION: Landini SECOND: Whitney

AYES: Landini, Whitney, Goedhart, Lohse

NOES: None

ABSTENSIONS: None RE-CUSED: None

ABSENT: Anderson, Knight, Roundy

- ✓ Conservation Planning
- ✓ Fuels Reduction and Fire Prevention Program
 ✓ Groundwater Recharge Development Plan (and Pilot)
- ✓ Invasive Species Program: Upper Stony Creek Arundo Project
- ✓ Colusa Glenn Subwatershed Program Helping growers meet the Irrigated Lands Regulatory Program
- ✓ Sacramento Valley Region of RCDs (Secretary/Treasurer)

Manhart-Belding and staff provided updates. Discussion ensued.

Sponsored Programs – RCD Connects with Kids

✓ High School Speak-Off Contest: This year's topic is "What is the role of agriculture in meeting California's climate goals?"

Manhart-Belding announced event.

Future

Discussion on potential projects and programs

Community Alliance with Family Farmers (CAFF) Water Program:
 Centering Small Farms and Equity in Groundwater; Community
 Engagement

Manhart-Belding presented an opportunity for outreach on the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA). Discussion ensued. No concern to apply for opportunity was expressed.

Others

None.

X--PARTNER REPORTS (limit 5 minutes each, unless previously scheduled)
Mendoza – UCCE – Reported on programs and various matters.
Pierce – UCCE – Reported on programs and various matters.
Guy – USDA-NRCS – Reported on programs and various matters.
DeBose – LaMalfa – Reported on programs and various matters.
Humphreys – Farm Bureau – Reported on programs and various matters.

Flynn – Sac Valley Soil Hub – Reported on programs and various matters.

XI--ANNUAL LOCAL WORK GROUP MEETING By Kandi Manhart-Belding and Kristin Guy

RCD & USDA-NRCS SEEKS PARTICIPATION

- ✓ identify where the best investments can be made to address natural resource problems,
- ✓ share the work that has already been done in the county, and
- share your vision for what the county will look like when these natural resource concerns have been addressed.
 - Reviewed purpose of Local Work Group meetings
 - Reviewed NRCS programs and information about FY 2024 resource concern priorities
 - Reviewed priorities discussed at last Glenn County RCD's Local Work Group meeting
 - 2025 Priorities / Discussion
 - Payment rates: pipeline cost concerns. Concerns over cost of infrastructure in general, commodity prices are low and costs are at an all-time high
 - Need for livestock systems general planning / sustainable ranching; Outreach / Workshops / Field Days for ranching community
 - More technical support for planning (gap in staffing /

vacancies in local office are a challenge)

- Rangeland priorities: soil health and grass health
- Fire recovery needed
- Groundwater and groundwater compliance concerns

XII--ADJOURNMENT

President Goedhart adjourned the meeting at 3:18 PM.

Approved on October 21, 2024 by the Glenn County Resource Conservation District Board.

Attested by,

Gilbert Goedhart, President

Kandi Manhart-Belding, Secretary

Items Attached: Cash disbursements journal