

**MARIPOSA COUNTY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT (MCRCD)**  
**Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors**  
**MINUTES**

**Date:** Wednesday, May 1st, 2024 @ 2:00 PM

**Location:** Conference Room at the Ag. Commissioner's Office 5009 Fairground Rd.  
Mariposa, CA 95338

**Directors present:** David Mecchi, John Carrier, Wayne Kelly, and Lyle Turpin.

**Directors absent:** None.

**Associate directors present:** None.

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**Staff present:** Melinda Barrett, Vicky Cole.

**Guests:** Don Smith.

**Call to order:** 2:00PM by MCRCD President David Mecchi.

**Public communication:** None.

**Minutes:** (M) Wayne Kelly to approve April 2024 Minutes with one correction made by Melinda Barret, to add an "n" Easter word. (S) John Carrier. No discussion followed. Ayes: David Mecchi, John Carrier, Wayne Kelly, Lyle Turpin. Nay: None. Motion approved.

**Correspondence:** 1) Received by mail from Mariposa County Auditor. Year-end reminders and deadlines. 2) Received by email from ANR Range Camp. 40<sup>th</sup> Range Camp. Sponsor guide. 3) Received by mail from SDRMA. 2024-25 Budget Estimates.

**Information Items and/or Special Guests:** None.

**Staff reports:**

**IRWMP:** Verbal report submitted by Melinda.

**MCRCD:** Verbal report submitted by Vicky.

**Directors Reports:**

**Lyle Turpin:** Verbal report submitted by Lyle.

**Wayne Kelly:** Verbal report submitted by Wayne Kelly.

**John Carrier:** Verbal report submitted by John.

**David Mecchi:** Verbal report submitted by David.

**Future Agenda Items:** None.

**Subcommittee Reports:**

**Personnel:** None.

**Finance:** Melinda talked about our meeting with the external financial consultant. The lady recommended to quit banking with the County, get QuickBooks program for the bookkeeping and do our own thing. Also, she said they will help us updating our charging rates for the grant applications. Melinda talked about it with David and Don and they believe the best thing to do is to talk with Luis Mercado first and tell him what are our needs and if they can't do it, then tell them that we are to get our own bank account. Don offered to accompany Melinda when she goes to talk to Luis Mercado. The remainders and deadlines letter received from the County is going to be helpful with the bookkeeping.

**Grants:** Vicky reported for RCPP that CARCD keeps rejecting invoices because NRCS changes so many things almost daily. EPIC Grant – The planning commission hearing is going to be May 17, 2024. CCI2 Grant – We are going to do the final invoice and then work on the final reports.

CCI3 Grant – LHH will start working June 1<sup>st</sup>. WCB1 Grant – We had our final inspection and we are waiting for the final payment. WCB2 Grant – We are more than half finished. Melinda talked with the grant manager about phase 3 and she said we will get it after finished with this one. OPR Grant – Melinda just finished a new application for a new funding.  
Policy: None.

**Financial Reports:** See at Finance subcommittee.

**Unfinished Business:** Update Ethics training.

**Discussion:** None.

**Action Items:**

To Approve the Termination of Sierra Central Coordinated Resource Management Council Resolution 24-002. (M) Wayne Kelly (S) John Carrier. Ayes: David Mecchi, John Carrier, Wayne Kelly, and Lyle Turpin. Nays: None. Motion Approved.

**Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 3:38 PM. (M) John Carrier (S) Lyle Turpin. Ayes: David Mecchi, John Carrier, Lyle Turpin, Wayne Kelly. Nays: None. Motion approved.

Submitted by: Vicky Cole

Date Approved: 06/05/2024

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**MCRCD Mission Statement**

The mission of the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District is to encourage and facilitate cooperative solutions to local resources conservation issues and projects. By providing leadership, the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District works with all stakeholders to find solutions that conserve the basic natural resources of Mariposa County. To further this aim, the Mariposa County Resource Conservation District provides technical assistance to landowners, carries out informational activities, seeks and implements grants and other funding sources, and develops cooperative alliances with other agencies and community organizations.