Coachella Valley Resource Conservation District USDA Service Center 81077 Indio Blvd., Ste. A Indio, CA 92201

Meeting Minutes June 21, 2023 8:00 AM

<u>Directors Present:</u> President Ruben Arias; Vice-President Blaine Cari.an; Director Don Ackley; Director Juan De Lara; Director Celeste Alonzo

Directors Absent: n/a

<u>Staff Present:</u> District Manager Yvonne Franco; Irrigation Specialist Carlos Velazquez; Administrative Assistant Valerie Velazquez

Members of the Public: Corey Maize and Scott Nelsen, Eide Bailly accountants

1. *CAIL* TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Ruben Arias at 8:01AM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Ruben Arias led us in pledge of allegiance.

Item 9-7was moved to the top of the agenda to be considerate of Mr. Corey and Mr. Scott Nelsen time.

Director De Lara provided the motion to approve Action Item 9-7. Director Ackley provided the second Motion was approved, 5-0.

Arias	Aye	Carian	Aye
Ackley	Aye	De Lara	Aye
Alonzo	Aye		

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Director carian provided the motion to approve the agenda. Director De Iara provided the second The motion was approved 5-0.

Arias	Aye	Carian	Aye
Ackley	Aye	De Lara	Aye
Alonzo	Aye		<u></u>

4. PUBLIC INPUT

There was no public input.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR:

5-1: Approval of Meeting Minutes - April 2023

5-2: Approval of Meeting Minutes - May 2023

5-3: Approval of Financial Report - May 2023

Vice-President carian provided the motion to approve the agenda Director De Lara provided the second. The motion was approved 5-0.

Arias	Aye	Carian	Aye
Ackley	Aye	De Lara	Aye
Alonzo	Aye		· <u> </u>

6. CORRESPONDANCE

6-1: Letter of Support for Mr. Al Nederhood from Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWOOC), for CSDA's Board of Directors, Southern Network Seat C

7. REPORTS

7-1: NRCS Report - No new reports from NRCS.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS AND OLD BUSINESS

8-1: Palm Desert Rental Property -

8-2: Tree Care publication for Coachella Valley

9. BOARD ACTION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS

9-1: Consideration to open an account with California Cooperative liquid Assets Securities System (CIASS)

9-2 : Discussion and Possible Action on California Special District Association (CSDA) Board Elections.

Director Ackley provided the motion to approve the Action on california Special District Association (CSDA) Board Elections.

. Director Aloil7.0 provided the second. The motion was approved 5-0.

Arias	Aye	Carian	Aye
Ackley	Aye	De Lara	Aye
Alonzo	Aye		

9-3 : Consideration to Approve Nigro & Nigro PC Engagement Letter to prepare the district's audit report for Fiscal Year ending June 2023, for \$4,000.

Director De Lara provided the motion to approve the Nigro & Nigro PC Engagement Letter to prepare the District's audit report for Fiscal Year ending June 2023, for \$4,000. Director Ackley provided the second. The motion was approved 5-0.

Arias	Aye	Carian	Aye
Ackley	Aye	De Lara	Aye
Alonzo	Aye		

9-4: Discuss Possible Attendance to the California Association of Resource Consezvation Districts (CAR.CD) 78th Annual Conference, to be held in Sacramento, December 13-14.

Directors Ackley, Cariait, Arias, aitd Aloil7.0 are interested in attending aitd requested to know opt out date.

9-5: Discussion to "go dark" for the month of July or August 2023.

Vice-President Carlan provided the motion to approve to go dark in July. Director De Lara provided the second. The motion was approved 5-0.

Arias	Aye	Carian	Aye
Ackley	Aye	De Lara	Aye
Alonzo	Aye		-

9-6 : Discuss Possible Approval of Reimbursement Requests by the District Manager in the amounts \$94.71 and \$356.97.

Director De Lara provided the motion to approve the reimbursement. Director Ackley provided the second. The motion was approved 5-0.

Arias	Aye	Carian	Aye
Ackley	Aye	De Lara	Aye
Alonzo	Aye		

9-7: Discussion and Possible Approval of Fiscal Year Budget 2023/24.

Item 9-7 was moved to the top of the agenda

10. Discussion for the Good of the District/Items for Future board Consideration

Director Alonzo suggested the District assist producers with the purchase of catch basins.

President Arias informed the Board that a Closed Session to review the District Manager agreement and salary would be on next month's meeting agenda.

11. District General Counsel Report and Announcements

None.

12. Closed Session

There were no dosed session items.

13. Date and location of Next District Regular Board Meeting

Date: August 16, 2023

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14. ADJOURN MEETING

Meeting adjourned at 9:16 AM.

Approved this 16th day of August 2023

Yvonne Franco, District Manager / Secretary