

Vya Conservation District Meeting Agenda April 30, 2020; 1:00 p.m.

Conference call number: 1-888-844-9904 Access Code: 2189184#

Note: In the interest of public safety due to COVID-19, and by the direction of the Nevada Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, this meeting will be conducted by conference call. This meeting is open to the public via use of the phone number and access code above.

CALL TO ORDER AT:

ROLL CALL: Tony Stobiecki Diane Stobiecki Pati Smith Steve Smith Jerry Gillogley

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OTHERS PRESENT:

OPENING REMARKS BY MEMBERS OF THE BOARD:

PUBLIC COMMENT: In consideration of others who may also wish to provide public comment, please avoid repetition and limit your comments to no more than five (5) minutes. Public comment may be made on any issue and any discussion of those items; provided that comment will be limited to areas relevant to and within the authority of the Conservation District Board. No action will be taken on any items raised in the public comment period that are not already on the agenda. At the discretion of the Chairman, public comment may be received prior to action on individual agenda items.

NOT FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

- A. NRCS Report—Bryon Hadwick or representative
 - 1. Update on new MOUs
- B. Conservation Districts Report: Melany Aten or representative
- C. BLM Report: Levi Bateman or representative
 - Cattle guard update
- D. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Report—Joelle Fournier or representative
- E. Community Director Report—Regina Pratt
 - 1. Farm and Ranch Expo
- F. Update on Diane Stobiecki's reappointment to the board—Tony
 - 1. Diane was reappointed as an alternate to the board on January 14, 2020, by the Washoe County Board of Commissioners for a term of two years. Term will expire January 14, 2022.
- G. Update on Vya Monopole--Tony

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION:

- 1. Possible Approval of Agenda—Tony
 - a. Motion to approve agenda
- 2. Possible Approval of Minutes of January 15, 2020 meeting—Tony
 - a. Motion to approve minutes of the January 15, 2020 meeting
- 3. Oath of Office—Tony
 - a. Diane Stobiecki will read and sign the Oath of Office
- 4. Discussion and Possible Approval of Treasurer's Report—Pati
 - a. Financial statements
 - b. Current accounts payable: PwP invoice, NvACD dues
 - c. Update on status of opening CDs

5. Discussion and Possible Approval of using additional funds from Commissioner Jeanne Herman: Tony

- a. The VCD sent a letter of request for additional funds to Jeanne Herman in January of 2020 per her request, via Melany Aten. A check in the amount of \$1,500 was received the first week of March. A follow-up form from VCD explaining how the funds will be used (weed eradication) was sent to Commissioner Herman's office in April.
- 6. Discussion and Possible Approval of using VCD funds for local weed control—Tony
 - a. Consider working cooperatively with USFWS on weed eradication with funds or other actions
 - b. Consider donating funds to BLM
- 7. Discussion and Possible Approval of Grant Opportunities--Tony
 - a. NDOW State Fire Assistance WUI Grant—Melany
- 8. Discussion and Possible Approval of Tree Purchases--Tony
- 9. Discussion and Possible Approval of Work Plan and Budget for 2020/2021—Tony
- 10. Discussion and Possible Approval of Participating in Public Education Workshops—Tony
 - a. Discuss solar project tours at Top Dog Ranch and Springs Ranch in July or August.
- 11. Discussion and Possible Approval of Items related to Producer Cost Share Application(s)—
 Tony
 - a. Update on NV State Assistant DA direction on providing 1099s to people we give financial assistance to through our Cost Share program
 - b. Update on Glenn Dyer's fence reflectors
 - c. Current applications:
- 12. Discussion and Possible Approval of Scholarship Applications—Tony

NEXT MEETING DATE/TIME/LOCATION:

ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING:

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ADJOURNMENT: