



BUTTE CREEK

WATERSHED CONSERVANCY

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Board of Directors Meeting

August 7th, 2007 5:30 to 7:30 pm

Rancho Esquon

1609 Adams Ranch Road

Durham, CA 95938

Minutes

(notes taken by Jeff Davids)

Attendees:

Les Heringer

Rich Smith

Jim Bundy

Chuck Kutz

Sharan Quigley

Terri Faulkner

Morris Boeger

Jack Bean

Rick Ponciano

Jeff Davids

Agenda:

- I. Call to order – meeting commenced at 5:35
- II. Morris Boeger moves to amend and approve agenda, Les Heringer seconds. Amendment and agenda approved.
- III. No previous minutes taken, none approved.
- IV. Sharan Quigley gives report of status of financial accounts. Checking and savings accounts reviewed. Morris Boeger motions to approve, Terri Faulkner seconds.
- V. Rick Ponciano reviews a letter written by Les Heringer to PG&E. Morris Boeger comments that the last 15 years PG&E has really worked hard to save the fish. Chuck Kutz says that PG&E is a team player and they work hard. Morris Boeger comments that they have really done a good job at increasing the number of fish in the creek. Motion made by Morris Boeger to approve the letter, motion seconded by Rich Smith. Discussion about sending the letter to Chico News and Review (CN&R) and Chico Enterprise-Record. Motion made to approve the sending of the letter by Morris Boeger, motion seconded by Rich Ponciano.

- VI. Chuck Kutz opened up discussion about grants that were approved for Butte County Watershed Modeling and for Rural Roads Improvement. Rick Ponciano asked when they could possibly tour the project area. Chuck Kutz said next week would work. Rick Ponciano stated that they are trying to shut down Esquon Rd. making it a private road.

Morris Boeger expressed concern of the lack of support by Local Authorities towards litter laws. Rick Ponciano suggests inviting a representative from Public Works to the next meeting to talk about dumping issues in the county. He suggests inviting Scot Johnson to talk about possibly cleaning up some of the effected areas. Chuck Kutz suggests the county needs a transfer station in the Paradise/Magalia area. Department of Fish and Game and the Forest Service have done a good job of prosecuting dumping. Jeff Davids is going to contact Scot and invite him to the next meeting.

- VII. Jim Bundy gives update about the land use discussion and shows negatives of opening up De Sabla Road. Opening road may lead to more accidents, trash, drug use, potential fire hazards and vandalism.

Jim Bundy gives update about the PG&E re-licensing, to be completed in October. Most of the studies are done, still discussing fish ladders for canals. Local Department of Fish and Game is not in support of fish ladders in canals. There are currently 115-120 fish deaths due to natural attrition; this is a healthy number. Also, a successful tour of Chico faculty (25 persons) was taken to Centerville Dam.

- VIII. Meeting adjourned at 7:10 pm.