

MEETING MINUTES (TRANSCRIPT SUMMARY)

TRUCKEE RIVER FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF MAY 17, 2019

The following meeting minutes is a summary of the certified transcript for the Truckee River Fund Advisory Committee meeting held at 8:30 a.m., Friday, May 17, 2019.

Those Present: Committee Members: Janet Phillips, Chairman; Mike Brisbin; Don Mahin; Brian Bonnenfant; Ron Penrose; and Candice Elder*. Also: Lauren Renda, Community Foundation of Western Nevada; Sonia Folsom, with TMWA; and Sylvia Harrison, Esq., McDonald Carano, LLP; Members of the Public: None.

* Committee member arrived after roll call

** Committee member left meeting before adjournment

Agenda Item #1: Roll Call: Roll call was taken. A quorum was noted.

Agenda Item #2: Public comment: There was no public present, so no public comment was given.

Agenda Item #3: Approval of the agenda (for possible action): The agenda was unanimously approved.

Agenda Item #4: Approve the February summary meeting minutes (for possible action): The Meeting Minutes (Transcript Summary) for February 28, 2019 was unanimously approved.

Agenda Item #5: Review completed projects: Reports were presented regarding the following projects:

#163, Truckee River Watershed AIS Prevention and Control, Tahoe Resource Conservation District. Lauren presented the report on Michael Cameron's behalf, since he can't be here, stating that they completed their goals and met the expectations, and adding that Michael recommended that we invite Mollie Hurt with TRCD to a future meeting to present an overview on boat inspections and milfoil, and invite Lisa Wallace with TRWC as a stakeholder in this project, so the group can make a better decision moving forward if they submit another proposal. This project can be closed out.

#171, Johnson Canyon Restoration, Truckee River Watershed Council. Lauren presented the report on Michael Cameron's behalf, stating that he rated them as exceeding the goals and expectations in all three categories. This project can be closed out.

#189, Big Chief: F4M Restoration Culvert Outflows, Truckee River Watershed Council. Lauren presented the report on Michael Cameron's behalf, stating that the project is complete and can be closed out. Also, Michael had a note that he had spoken with Eben Swain, and they had not yet been able to successfully secure additional funds, not from us, to implement another portion of culvert designs on Highway 89 but are continuing with their efforts there with a goal of 2020.

#199, Cold Stream Meadow Road Decommissioning & Restoration Project, Truckee Donner Land Trust. Lauren presented the report on Michael Cameron's behalf. They completed activities specified in the proposal, exceeded expectations, and met and exceeded stated goals. This project can be closed out.

#177, Donner Creek Bank Stabilization Downstream of Railroad Culvert Final Design, Truckee River Watershed Council (TRWC). Don Mahin reported that this project is partially complete, because they had buy-in from the property owner, who has the mobile home park, and they're going to be revamping that, and they want to coordinate that and do it all at once. So the design is at 90%. They freed up \$10,000 to return back to us, unallocated. They had funding for the final design and, they believe, construction. They might come back for some additional construction funds, and construction wasn't part of the original grant. This project can be closed out.

#190, #195 and #205, each one being Watershed Education Initiative, Sierra Nevada Journeys. Ron Penrose reported that he had a chance last year to go out to McCarran Ranch with Eaton Dunkelberger and was able to observe their trip activity, which looked to be pretty good, with interaction between staff, their educators and the students that were there. Sierra Nevada Journeys prepares and develops the watershed-based curriculum and do three in-the-classroom sessions and then do a field trip to see rehabilitation projects. He added that what he would like as a future follow-up is take a look at how they measure their success. Janet suggested comprehension before and after would be good to know. Lauren stated she'll talk to Eaton and see if we can get some examples. All three projects can be closed out. Janet noted that these three projects tie into Agenda Item #7.

#200, Truckee Meadows Restoration Project – Phase 2 Construction, Truckee River Watershed Council. Mike Brisbin reported that they met the expectations of the project being a success, improved the hydrologic function of the wetland complex and ephemeral drainage. This project can be closed out.

Agenda Item #6: Assign Advisors for Spring 2019 funded projects (for possible action): Advisors were assigned to projects as follows: Sierra Nevada Journeys, Ron; Truckee Meadows Nature Study Area, Brian; Truckee River Watershed McIver Dairy, Michael; Keep

Truckee Meadows Beautiful, Candice; Friends of Nevada Wilderness, Brian; Washoe County Parks, Mike; Nevada Land Trust, Ron; Great Basin Institute, Ron. The National Judicial College grant was withdrawn because neither of the designated people who should go to the conference were able to attend.

Agenda Item #7: Discuss entities providing K-12 education in Washoe County and consider mechanisms for reducing duplication and more efficient use of funds (for possible action): This agenda item was requested by Bill Bradley, who is not present today. The group discussed how this item came to be, possible criteria changes, more clearly defining goals so everyone is working on the same set of goals, coordination, and other suggestions and ideas for the RFP, or just leaving it the same. Sylvia provided input. A motion to add a general question to the RFP, for all projects, "Have you collaborated with other entities in relation to your proposal?" was unanimously approved. Also, Lauren will put together a list for everyone of all educational projects to see how spread out it is.

Agenda Item #8: Discuss possible fieldtrip options (for possible action): The group discussed past field trips and potential places to see on this next field trip, also discussed dates. The field trip was set for August 16th in the morning. Janet and Lauren will work on an itinerary per the group's input. No action was taken.

Agenda Item #9: Discuss possible revisions to Fall Request for Proposal application (for possible action): Janet noted that this was discussed in Agenda Item #7. There were no other possible revisions suggested. No action was taken.

Agenda Item #10: Committee and staff comments: Mike commented that the TMWA picnic is coming on July 13th. Everyone was encouraged to attend as it is a very nice event that TMWA does showing their appreciation for the work that we do.

Agenda Item #11: Next meeting: August 16, 2019 (for possible action): Janet stated that she will not be able to attend, but hopefully Susan Lynn will be able to chair the meeting. There was discussion about changing the date of the meeting so Janet could attend, since there will be the election of chair and vice chair. The date of the next meeting was changed to August 23rd at the usual time, and the field trip will be on the 16th. No action was taken.

Agenda Item #12: Public comment (limited to no more than three minutes per speaker): There was no public present, so no public comment was given.

Agenda Item #13: Adjournment (for possible action): The meeting adjourned at 9:32 a.m. No action was taken.