

MEETING MINUTES (TRANSCRIPT SUMMARY)

TRUCKEE RIVER FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF JUNE 13, 2008

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., June 13, 2008.

Those Present: Committee Members: Janet Phillips, Chairperson; Tom Swan, Vice-Chair; Michael Cameron, Jerry Purdy, Mike Brisbin, Jason Dukes, John Mosley; Also: Sylvia Harrison, McDonald Carano Wilson LLP; Chris Askin, Community Foundation; Tracy Turner, Community Foundation; Ron Penrose, Truckee Meadows Water Authority; Members of the Public: Suzy Johnson, Jeff Codega Planning & Design; Andi Kemmerer, Washoe-Storey Conservation District; Terri Svetich, City of Reno; Lynell Garfield, City of Reno; Dave Aiazzi, City of Reno; Ben Hutchins, Washoe County; John Buzzone, Washoe County; Shawn Gooch, City of Sparks; and Jim Litchfield, City of Sparks.

Agenda Item #1: Roll Call: Roll Call was taken and a quorum was noted.

Agenda Item #2: Approval of the Agenda: The agenda items for the 6-13-08 meeting were addressed as follows.

Agenda Item #3: Public Comment: There was no public comment.

Agenda Item #4: Approve April 11, 2008 Summary Meeting Minutes: A motion passed unanimously to move this agenda item to the end of the meeting, at which time a motion passed unanimously to approve the April 11, 2008 Meeting Minutes (Transcript Summary).

Agenda Item #5: Fund Balance Report: Tracy Turner and Chris Askin presented the report and indicated that total assets were \$1,652,000, with \$600,000 available to grant before today's meeting; and as funding requests this time of \$900,000 exceed available cash, TMWA was asked to transfer funds, and \$1,050,000 has been transferred. Ms. Phillips gave special recognition and thanks to Dave Aiazzi, who was also present, for making this project happen.

Agenda Item #6: Recap Upriver Trip Held on April 28, 2008: There were comments regarding construction plans by CalTrans and its possible coordination with Lahontan Water Quality Control Board, our being beneficiaries of their standards; Nevada using standard off-the-shelf plans from CalTrans; the impact of our water quality here; that maybe we should establish a more formal way of keeping abreast of CalTrans and Lahontan activities, which would make it easier to approach local

agencies to replicate some of those projects between here and the state line. It was mentioned there is some movement on the part of NDOT for a general workshop that maybe one of the group could attend; Jerry volunteered. There was a suggestion that letters could be written to local road agencies indicating being impressed with what is going on with runoff capture sites.

Agenda Item #7: Review and Possible Approval of Grant Proposals Received for Spring 2008

RFP Cycle: Regarding the Mayberry Ranch Estates River Water Quality Improvement Project, after some discussion about locking up the money and after Ben Hutchins indicated they believe people will be participating and hooking up, a motion was made that the grant be approved with the contingency that the customers will be required to sign a letter of intent within one year that they will convert within two years, and that the reversion of any unobligated funds occurs at the end of one year. The motion passed unanimously.

With regard to the Pioneer Dam project, Jerry commented on using pumps and putting in parallel diversions versus cross-channel diversions. Ron stated that he looks at this project as very much parallel to the TMWA efforts for the reconstruction of the Glendale diversion. Shawn Gooch said the flood control project could ultimately pay for this, but there is an urgency, and the idea is to put something in that doesn't need maintenance on a regular basis. After considerable discussion by the group, a motion was made to pass it as proposed. The motion passed 4-2, with John and Jerry being the no votes. Jason abstained, as he works for the City of Sparks.

The Truckee River Watershed Map was discussed next, with input from Terri Svetich and Lynell Garfield, about raising awareness in the community and using it in classrooms. After a lengthy discussion by the group, a motion was made to approve the proposal with the condition that the applicants work with the Community Foundation to develop a marketing outreach plan, to include the schools in the Pyramid Lake Paiute Reservation, and to include some quantifiable measurement of outcomes. The motion passed unanimously.

The Crane Ditch Cleanup proposal was discussed, with input by Suzy Johnson about LID retrofits and using this as a pilot project, with a tie-in to a pet waste problem. After much consideration and discussion, a motion was made to move this proposal, with revisions, to the next regular meeting. The motion passed, with the one no vote being from Janet.

Washoe County Sheriff's Office Community Work Program, a motion was made to not fund this proposal as written, but to refer them to other organizations doing river work. The motion passed unanimously.

2008-09 Weed Treatments & Revegetation, Truckee River & Tributaries, a motion was made to approve the proposal. A comment was made as to a preference of seeing a proposal come back with a greater level of detail in the next cycle. The motion passed 4-3, with the no votes being from Michael, Tom and Jason. There was a suggestion to have Tracy let them know that the Sheriff's Office has a work force. Also, there should be specificity in their report as to dates, sites, when things are planted.

Regarding the Truckee Donner Land Trust, cleanup and enhancement proposal, after some discussion regarding a long-term fix, a motion was made to approve the proposal as is. The motion passed unanimously. Instead of setting up a special meeting with the involved entities to discuss the bigger picture of the seven-mile stretch, Sylvia said she would call Sara Taddo to talk about it.

The last two proposals on the agenda, both from The Nature Conservancy, were Independence Lake - Forest Management Planning, and Independence Lake - Public Access Management Planning. The group agreed that Michael could stay in the room to answer any questions. Ron indicated that he supports both these projects. A motion was made to pass the Forest Management Planning proposal. The motion passed unanimously. After some discussion regarding the Public Access Management Planning proposal, a motion was made to approve the proposal. The approval passed unanimously. Michael abstained from voting.

Agenda Item #8: Committee & Staff Comments: After the April 11th minutes were approved (see Agenda Item #4 above), the group discussed and addressed Tracy's questions regarding the number of boxes that can be checked regarding the description of the project on the RFP form and, also, asking for departmental budgets in lieu of financials from nonprofits and people requesting funding.

There was also discussion about moving the meetings to the first Friday of the month, as opposed to the second Friday of the month, to allow more time for staff report preparation and to get things on the agenda prior to going to the TMWA Board meeting for approval. It was decided that the following meeting dates would be moved up: August 15th meeting moved to August 1st; October 17th meeting moved to October 3rd; and the August Executive Committee meeting moved to July 22nd; and the October 7th Executive Committee meeting moved to September 23rd.

Other comments were that John Mosley has been added to the contacts list, how much cash is left for the next go-round, and having a prior expense is okay as long as it is disclosed up front. Also, John gave a brief history about him and was welcomed to the group.

Agenda Item #9: Public comment: Sylvia commented that the TMWA Board is going to be considering for approval a memorandum of understanding to establish the Truckee Meadows Urban Forestry Coalition, indicating there will be a joint meeting on August 18th of the local governments. Janet voiced a concern about Bill Bradley not attending very many meetings.

Agenda Item #10: Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Approved by the Truckee River Fund Advisory Committee in Session on August 1, 2008.