

# MEETING MINUTES (TRANSCRIPT SUMMARY)

## TRUCKEE RIVER FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF AUGUST 18, 2017

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, August 18, 2017.

**Those Present:** Committee Members: Janet Phillips, Chairman; Susan Lynn, Vice Chairman; Michael Cameron; Bill Bradley\*; Mike Brisbin; Candice Elder; Don Mahin; and Ron Penrose; Also: Lauren Renda and Chris Askin, both with Community Foundation of Western Nevada; John Enloe and Sonia Folsom, both with TMWA; and Debbie Leonard, Esq., McDonald Carano Wilson, LLP; Members of the Public: Lisa Wallace, Truckee River Watershed Council; Christi Cakiroglu, Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful; Eaton Dunkelberger and Sean Hill, both with Sierra Nevada Journeys; and Jenny Hatch and Lynn Baumgartner, both with Sierra Nevada Alliance.

\* 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. Janet noted that Lauren is ready to step in as the new staff person.

**Agenda Item #2: Public comment:** There was no public comment.

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

**Agenda Item #4: Approve the June summary meeting minutes (for possible action):** The Meeting Minutes (Transcript Summary) for June 2, 2017 was unanimously approved.

**Agenda Item #5: Fund balance report:** Lauren stated that we have \$848,289.04 available to spend, which includes some carryover from last year and a reduced distribution from TMWA of approximately \$450,000. John Enloe explained that the reason it was reduced was because TMWA was going through a rate increase, that the TMWA Board feels very strongly about the Truckee River Fund, but they were aware that there was \$400,000 left unspent in there, so they contributed what was needed to bring it up to a year's worth of donations.

**Agenda Item #6: Review grant proposals to Truckee River Fund and select projects to be recommended for funding (for possible action):** Janet noted that Bill Bradley arrived at the meeting. The following grant proposals were considered at length and voted on by the group and approved, rejected/declined, or action taken as follows:

#190, Sierra Nevada Journeys, Watershed Education Initiative, \$35,065, was unanimously approved for the full amount requested. Eaton Dunkelberger and Sean Hill were present and provided input and answered questions.

#191, City of Reno, Invasive Weed Removal - Reno Park Property, \$30,000. Lauren stated that they received a new cover sheet showing the correct requested amount of \$11,300. The full amount requested, \$11,300, was unanimously approved, with the condition that TMWA needs to concur with their time, place and type of chemicals. No one was present from the City of Reno.

#192, Truckee River Watershed Council, Truckee River Tributaries Sediment Reduction Project, \$165,000, was unanimously approved for the full amount. Lisa Wallace was present and provided input and answered questions.

#193, Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful, 2018 Spring Invasive Weed Pull & Fall Truckee River Cleanup, \$69,760, was unanimously approved for the full amount. Christi Cakiroglu was present and provided input and answered questions.

#194, Sierra Nevada Alliance, Sierra Nevada AmeriCorps Partnership (SNAP), \$51,875, was unanimously rejected, but with a note of encouragement to the proposers to come back with a more focused study that's targeted on people in this community in Nevada. Jenny Hatch and Lynn Baumgartner were present and provided input and answered questions.

**Agenda Item #7: Review projects with a need for Advisor reassignment: #140 Sierra Nevada Journeys Watershed Education Initiative (2017) (Sue); #150 Tahoe Resource Conservation District TR Native & Non-native Aquatic Plants (Tom); #160 Truckee River Watershed Council Johnson Canyon Westside Restoration (Jerry/Janet):** Project #140 was reassigned to Ron Penrose, together with #190 since it's the same group. Projects #150 and #160 were reassigned to Candice Elder. Project #191 was assigned to Susan Lynn, #192 to Mike Brisbin, and #193 to Bill Bradley

**Agenda Item #8: Committee and staff comments:** The group decided to put on the next agenda an overview from Truckee River Watershed Council, an update on the One Truckee River, and an update on where we stand with the AIS programs on the Truckee River Watershed.

**Agenda Item #9: Next meeting: December 1, 2017 (for possible action):** The next meeting is Friday, December 1st. No action was taken.

**Agenda Item #10: Public comment (limited to no more than three minutes per speaker):** Christi Cakiroglu commented regarding finding a home for One Truckee River and what would work for them moving forward, that they have a meeting in September for identifying what OTR is going to look like for the future and that it's going to be really great and solid. She also suggested that this group may want to look at having someone come in and talk about the affordable housing situation in our community, because it's an issue that relates to water quality.

**Agenda Item #11: Adjournment (for possible action):** The meeting adjourned at 10:18 a.m. No action was taken.