

MEETING MINUTES (TRANSCRIPT SUMMARY)

TRUCKEE RIVER FUND ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF AUGUST 20, 2021

(Meeting via Zoom and teleconference)

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 20, 2021, via Zoom and teleconference.

Those Present: Committee Members: Janet Phillips, Chair; Brian Bonnenfant, Vice Chair; Don Mahin; Mike Brisbin; Bill Bradley; Michael Cameron; Candice Elder; Terri Svetich; and Jim Smitherman. Also: Lauren Renda, Community Foundation of Western Nevada; John Enloe and Sonia Folsom, both with TMWA; Sarah Ferguson, Esq. with McDonald Carano; Members of the Public: Sean Hill and Alyssa Wagner, both with Sierra Nevada Journeys; Sarah Holcombe with Truckee Meadows Parks Foundation; Iris Jehle-Peppard with One Truckee River; Mandy Bengtson and Susan Mortenson, both with SWCA Environmental Consultants; Mark Cameron and Laura Szoke, both with Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful; Catrina Peters and Brynna Nichols, both with Washoe County; Grant Denton with Karma Box; and Beth Christman with Truckee River Watershed Council.

* 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 comment at this time.

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

Agenda Item #4: Approve the May summary meeting minutes (for possible action): The Meeting Minutes (Transcript Summary) for May 21, 2021 was unanimously approved.

Agenda Item #5: Fund balance report: Lauren stated that the amount available to spend is \$718,193.52, which is for the whole year.

Agenda Item #6: Review grant proposals to Truckee River Fund and select projects to be recommended for funding (for possible action): The following grant proposals were

considered at length and voted on by the group and approved, rejected/declined, or action taken as follows:

#251, Sierra Nevada Journeys: Watershed Education Initiative for the Urban Truckee River Corridor, amount requested \$30,055. The full amount requested of \$30,055 was unanimously approved. Sean Hill and Alyssa Wagner were present to provide input and answer questions.

#252, Truckee Meadows Parks Foundation: Dog Waste Awareness Campaign, amount requested \$60,775. The full amount requested of \$60,775 was unanimously approved. Sarah Holcombe was present to provide input and answer questions.

#253, Truckee River Foundation DBA One Truckee River: OTR River-Friendly Landscaping Program Expansion, amount requested \$48,000. The full amount requested of \$48,000 was unanimously approved. Iris Jehle-Peppard was present to provide input and answer questions.

#254, Truckee River Foundation DBA One Truckee River: One Truckee River Brodhead Park Restoration Project: Phase 1, amount requested \$69,724. The full amount requested of \$69,724 was unanimously approved. Iris Jehle-Peppard was present to provide input and answer questions. Mandy Bengtson and Susan Mortenson were also present and provided additional input.

#255, Keep Truckee Meadows Beautiful: KTBM's 2022 Great Community Cleanup, Truckee River Cleanup, Adopt-A-River Program, & Adult and Community Education Program, amount requested \$82,880. The full amount requested of \$82,880 was unanimously approved. Mark Cameron and Laura Szoke were present to provide input and answer questions.

#256, Washoe County: River Stewards Project, amount requested \$219,164. The full amount requested of \$219,164 was unanimously approved. Catrina Peters, Grant Denton and Brynna Nichols were present to provide input and answer questions. John Enloe requested that two things be added to the scope of work: On page 2, number 4, on providing education, that they add caring for public facilities to that; and then, in number 5, related to the cleaning and such of the Portland Loos, that they add report incidents or damage to One Truckee River. Ms. Peters indicated that was not a problem.

#257, Truckee River Watershed Council (TRWC): Prosser Basin Sediment Reduction Plan, amount requested \$44,000. The full amount requested of \$44,000 was unanimously approved, with additional language regarding monitoring, the language to be prepared by Don, Terri and Beth, that Lauren will put into the scope. Beth Christman was present to provide input and answer questions.

Project advisors for the approved proposals were assigned as follows: #251, Michael Cameron; #252, Jim Smitherman; #253, Terri Svetich; #254, Don Mahin; #255, Candice Elder; #256, Brian Bonnenfant; and #257, Mike Brisbin.

Agenda Item #7: Committee and staff comments:

There were Committee comments regarding a Committee member being present at TMWA Board meetings when TRF proposals are being considered. Terri will attend the September 15th TMWA Board meeting. Janet and Michael will talk with TMWA Board Member Brekhus regarding repeat proposals. Lauren stated that she does attend those TMWA Board meetings in case there are questions on the grant process.

Michael commented about inviting Iris to come to the next meeting and talk about how One Truckee River prioritizes and what we can expect from them in the future. Similarly, he commented about inviting the Truckee River Watershed Council to join and talk about how they prioritize the projects, and is there anything we'd like them to consider, so that we get the best proposal possible. These conversations might be helpful to reassure the TMWA Board that as we do approve multiple recipients, we're thinking hard about that and are evaluating it. Janet will put these on the November 19th meeting agenda.

Janet commented the other one that wants to give us a short talk is the Truckee Meadows Stormwater Permit Coordinating Committee. Terri commented about how that idea came about when she spoke with Theresa Jones about what the Stormwater Committee is doing and what role they are playing. Janet will put this on the November 19th agenda as well.

Sonia Folsom commented that, unfortunately, they had to cancel their 20th anniversary summer party, which was scheduled on August 28th, due to the situation, but they will plan a bigger one for next year.

Agenda Item #8: Next meeting: November 19, 2021 (for possible action): The next meeting is set for November 19, 2021 at 8:30 a.m. No action was taken.

Agenda Item #9: Public comment (limited to no more than three minutes per speaker): There was no public comment.

Agenda Item #10: Adjournment (for possible action): The meeting was adjourned at 10:52 a.m. No action was taken.