



Minutes
Conservation District of Southern Nevada Board
Wednesday, February 20, 2019
3:00pm-5:00pm

Supervisor Attendees	Absent	Guests
Chris Magee, Chair		Teri Knight
Shane Ammerman, Vice Chair		Jarrett DeCorte
Rachel Lewison, Treasurer		Douglas Chan
Mark Damron, Supervisor		Catherine Jorgenson
Bryan Cabble, Supervisor		

- 1) **Call to Order:** Notice of conformance with Nevada Open Meeting Law requirements. Mr. Magee called the meeting to order at 3:17pm.
- 2) **Introductions.** Supervisor Attendees and guests introduced themselves.
- 3) **Public Comment:** *(No action may be taken on a matter not listed on the posted agenda. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. Please clearly state your name for the record. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this will be done by the Chairman, or by majority vote.)* Teri Knight mentioned a job posting with a local green company as a tree service manager.
- 4) **Approval of the Agenda:** Motion passed unanimously.
- 5) **Approval of the Minutes:** *From 11/08/18 & 12/20/18 & 01/16/19 CDSN Board Meetings.* Motion passed unanimously.
- 6) **Supervisor Elections:** *Discuss supervisor seat and nominations.* Mr. Douglas Chang who is the president of the Red Rock Audubon Society was present and spoke about his passion for cultural conservation, protecting the birds and their habitat, etc. He may join the board. Mr. Cabble has accepted the position of secretary and will need to be placed on the next agenda.
- 7) **Resource Needs Assessment (RNA) with NvACD:** *Discussion on creating a list for possible topics/issues for the RNA.* Mr. DeCorte phoned into the Caliente, Lincoln County meeting. It was stated that when CDSN hosts an RNA meeting it will need to follow open meeting law. Supervisors- please email example RNA's from other cities to Mr. DeCorte and he will email these examples to Carson City, NV.
- 8) **MGM Grant:** *Update supervisors and discuss possible roles, process and grant purposes and*

consider possible action. Ms. Lewison reached out to Sally Parker. Will report more next meeting. Will need to reach out to Ms. Louise Helton (Solarbration) about funds we received prior to 2012.

- 9) **NACD Business:** *Discuss/update NACD email grant opportunities and consider possible action.* CDSN did not receive the grant.
- 10) **Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Status Report and Update:** *Receive a status report from Teri Knight, NRCS District Conservationist.* Republic Services is looking for assistance to build a pollinator garden at the Sunrise Landfill. Mr. DeCorte will forward the invite to supervisors. March 8th, is the next Lincoln County meeting in Rachel, NV.
- 11) **CDSN Board Diversity & Civil Rights:** *Annual discussion on the diversity of the CDSN Board and Civil Rights and consider possible action.* Presentation done by Ms. Teri Knight about the relationship between NRCS and CD's as well as the importance of diversity. CDSN should do a local work group to get information about what is important at a local level. After the presentation each supervisor signed a document.
- 12) **Financial Items:** *Receive reports and recommendations from Rachel Lewison. Following discussion, take appropriate action on the following financial items.*
 - a) Review bank statements and financials. \$37,478.26
 - b) Pay non-routine, administrative bills. Paid Mr. DeCorte \$20 (Check #1223) for website security reimbursement.
 - c) National CD dues. Will need to pay \$775 to NACD.

** Received mail from DUNS Business (Ms. Lewison will reach out). Received a document from the federal government looking for information about Ms. Barbara Wardlaw's employment during 2017. Mr. Magee will share PayPal username and password with Mr. DeCorte. Mr. Cabbie stated that when we make Amazon purchases if we use the web domain smile.amazon.com we can select a non-profit and they will receive 0.5% with no additional cost to the customer.
- 13) **CDSN Website:** *Update on website and creating email addresses for supervisors and consider possible action.* Mr. Magee will reach out to Mr. and Mrs. Wardlaw about facebook username and password. Mr. DeCorte described the layout of the website and is interested in feedback and professional photos.
- 14) **University of Nevada Cooperative Extension (UNCE):** *Update and discuss position and assignments and review inter-local agreement for partnership.* Ms. Catherine Jorgenson (Attorney) is working the inter-local agreement between UNCE and CDSN. Mr. Magee will meet with Mr. Eric Killian (UNCE) to receive further information about the inter-local agreement. Ms. Jorgenson suggested assigning a project manager to assist communication between CDSN and Mr. DeCorte, and inserting this information into the inter-local agreement.
- 15) **CDSN Public Service Announcement (PSA):** *Receive status report and discuss PSA.* Table.
- 16) **CDSN Social Media Outreach:** *Discuss various platforms (i.e. Facebook, Twitter) for social media outreach and make recommendations and consider possible action.* Mr. Magee will contact Mr. Jon Wardlaw to receive passwords. Mr. DeCorte will work on social media handles (names). Perhaps assign cdsn.org for all social media platforms.
- 17) **Greenfest:** *Discuss paying for booth and participating at Greenfest and consider possible action.* Motioned passed unanimously for Ms. Lewison to pay \$125 for CDSN booth. Mr. DeCorte will run the booth with assistance from Supervisors. Will ask Eric Killian if he is interested in cohosting with UNCE and they can split the \$125 costs.

- 18) Southern Nevada Strong (SNS):** *Discuss the SNS Steering Committee and discuss possible collaboration on projects and consider possible action.* Mr. Shane Ammerman discussed having a liaison to represent CDSN at SNS meetings. Place possible liaison role on next agenda.
- 19) Zion Garden:** *Discuss needs for garden and quotes for garden improvements and consider possible action.* Ms. Lewison will ask Charlie (Zion Garden representative) for additional quotes. Currently, we only have 1 quote from Garden Farms. Table.
- 20) Pool/Pact discussion:** *Discuss program and consider possible action.* Table.
- 21) CDSN Programs and Events:** *Discuss Christmas Tree Recycling program and consider possible action.* Ms. Lewison will gather number of Christmas Trees recycled and bring to next meeting.
- 22) Supervisor Reports:** *Receive reports from Supervisors.* Ms. Lewison suggested the board start working on the Annual Report. Due dates are located NAC 548.110. Mr. Cabbie listed various events (Springs Preserve is free this weekend, Farmers Market 3/2/19 (10-2pm) at the Summerlin Library. Mr. Damron made an informational pamphlet that will be used at GreenFest. Mr. Magee has 10 trees that will be repurposed from MGM properties to the Clark County School District. Idea is to make this into a tree donating program.
- 23) Public Comment:** *(No action may be taken on a matter not listed on the posted agenda. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes. Please clearly state your name for the record. If any member of the Board wishes to extend the length of a presentation, this will be done by the Chairman, or by majority vote.)* Mr. DeCorte stated that CDSN should have a lecture series. Will work on finding speakers. Mr. Cabbie stated the radio show he works on has a list of previous speakers and that would be a great starting point at finding speakers.
- 24)** The next date and location for a regular meeting of the CDSN Board is tentatively scheduled for **Wednesday, March 27, 2019 at 3:00 p.m.** in the NRCS/CDSN Conference Room.
- 25) Adjournment.** 5:50pm.

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Natural Resources Conservation Service	Open Meeting Law Website at:

**7080 La Cienega St. Las Vegas,
NV 89119**

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Submitted by:

Chris Magee, CDSN Chair

Date