

**Verde Natural Resource Conservation District
Camp Verde Community Library
130 Black Bridge Loop Road
Board of Supervisors Meeting
December 1, 2023**

Minutes

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 9 AM by Chairman Norton.**
- 2. Attendance:** Supervisors Norton, B. Hauser, C. Hauser, Higginbotham and Jensen. Also in attendance: Carter Benton, Sierra Frydenlund, District Clerk Cox.
- 3. Consent Agenda:** Supervisor Jensen moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by Supervisor B. Hauser, approved unanimously.
- 4. 9:20 Presentations/Information/Reports**
 - a. Agency reports – NRCS: Sierra Frydenlund received final deadlines for various programs, wants to do more outreach in the Verde Valley, several applicants for EQUIP funds. Will provide fact sheet to NRCD clerk for email and website.
 - b. Supervisor reports:
 - 1) C. Hauser: pecans almost ready to harvest including Westerns and Wichita's, will go to Bowie, Arizona for shelling.
 - 2) Jensen: learning about Cottonwood Ditch, will write a report and submit it to Verde NRCD website for publication.
 - 3) Higginbotham: Collaborating with B. Hauser, breeding cattle and broadening base.
 - c. District Clerk Report: updated Board on Ed Center activities and reviewed financial statement as of December 1, 2023.
- 5. Old Business**
 - a. WIFA Grant: leftover funds will be used as part of matching funds for second WIFA Grant
 - b. Supervisor B. Hauser moved to an agreement the Verde NRCD, TNC, and the Verde Ditch. Seconded by C. Hauser, approved unanimously.
 - c. C. Hauser moved to approve a Board Resolution regarding the WIFA Grant Fund Agreements, appointing Chip Norton as Project Manager and establishing bank checking accounts to manage and maintain the funds of the grants. Seconded by Higginbotham and approved unanimously.
 - d. Supervisor Jensen moved to approve the amended agreement with Cottonwood-Oak Creek School District, Verde NRCD and Science Center, seconded by Supervisor C. Hauser, approved unanimously.
 - e. Sustainable Flows: review, discuss, amend, approve to execute, or otherwise act upon proposal to use the Verde NRCD workshop for information regarding Sustainable Flow information.
 - f. Discussion with the Sustainable Flows group regarding use of website and NRCD meetings has been postponed until Supervisor Norton has an opportunity to meet with the group.
- 6. The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 by Chairman Norton.**