

# Hardwood Advisory Committee

## Meeting Minutes

### January 30, 2019

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#### Opening

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The Hardwood Advisory Committee meeting was called to order at 2:05 pm on January 30, 2019 at 1834 Walnut St., Red Bluff, CA 96080 by Rick Gurrola.

#### Present

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Rick Gurrola  
Gary Spanfelner  
Martin Spannaus  
Scott Hill  
Brin Greer  
Dawn Pedersen  
Josh Davy  
Justin Hamilton  
Andrew Bray  
Burt Bundy

#### Introductions

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Those in attendance introduced themselves.

#### History and Background

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- Rick advised the Hardwood Advisory Committee is a Board of Supervisors appointed committee and is subject to the rules of the Brown Act. A summary handout for the Brown Act was provided to the members for their review.
- Gary & Burt are the only members in attendance from the original committee.
- Rick talked about Bill Burrows' past involvement with the committee and that because of his request for donations to the Fish & Game Commission, this committee was reinstated by the Board of Supervisors.
- Last committee meeting was in 2004.

#### Review of Minutes from 8/30/18 Meeting

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- Rick reviewed the minutes from the last meeting.

#### Tehama County Voluntary Oak Woodland Management Plan (2005)

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- The Tehama County Voluntary Oak Woodland Management Plan is available online on the Department of Agriculture's website.
- Rick asked if there were any recommended changes to the current Tehama County Voluntary Oak Woodland Management Plan.
- Brin stated that Phase I of the management plan prepared by the Resource Conservation District (RCD) on behalf of the Tehama County Fish and Game Commission has been completed . There

is no available funding at this time to begin Phase II. Brin asked the group to visit the oak story map webpage.

- Aerial imagery is available, but need feet on the ground to do the updates, would be nice to have an imagery story told.
- There was some discussion about clear cutting within the county.
- The drought has been hard on the trees.
- Currently no permits are required to harvest hardwood on your own land.
- Black Oak is regulated, but other oaks are not. Dawn clarified that this is only for commercial selling, but not for personal use. The Department of Agriculture will post this requirement on their website.
- There was some discussion on the progress made in the last 20+ years on clear cutting and progress in education.
- Gary offered for the group to take a field trip to his property to see the success he has had with cutting and re-growth of Blue Oaks.
- Dawn stated that imagery can be located on Google Earth or through the National Forest Service.
- Josh said his office has data that may be useful from UC studies. He will email a link to the website to Rick to forward to the group.
- A point was made that the old plan did work, but it just needs to be updated.
- The need to fill the vacant Environmental Organization representative was discussed, and members were encouraged to seek candidates.

### Future Agenda Items

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- Review current plan for discussion at the next meeting.
- Review of the County General Plan regarding oak woodland management by the Planning Director at the next meeting.
- Phase II for the RCD – What it entails and funding sources.
- Field Trips
- Cal-Fire requirements for what is commercial vs. what is not.

### Adjournment and Next Meeting Date

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Meeting was adjourned at 3:08 pm by Rick Gurrola.. The next general meeting is anticipated to be in approximately 4 weeks, to be held in the Walnut Room as an afternoon meeting.

Minutes submitted by Kimberly Smith