North Fork Community Development Council
Minutes of Board Meeting – May 22, 2017
North Fork CDC Conference Room at the Mill Site

1.Call to Order – The President Dan Rosenberg, called the CDC Board meeting to order at __ p.m. Present were: Dan Rosenberg, Sandy Chaille, Marianne Welton, Ryan Schulte, Cathey Thornberg, Wade Wheeler, Gary Walker, Barbara Colliander, Mary Proper. A quorum was present. Guests: Elissa Brown, Paul Irwin, Michael Olwyler, John Reed, Rod Stark.

2. Additions to the Agenda: None

3. Approval of the Agenda: **Cathey Thornberg moved, Sandy Chaille seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.**

4. Public Comment: Elissa Brown reported on a response to issues regarding the tree mortality crisis. A group, called Little Hoover Commission, will be coming to visit and learn about North Fork. Others were invited.

5. Approval of Minutes of April 24, 2017 Regular Board Meeting **- Sandy Chaille moved, Wade Wheeler seconded, to approve the minutes of the April 24 regular board meeting. Motion carried.**

6. Financial Report: The financial report was not received for the last month. Wade is checking with our accounting firm, and will have something next month.

7. Corresponding Secretary/Membership Report – None. There is still the issue of the lights: We will ask David Olney for an estimate for the lighting in the whole building. There was also a discussion on the air conditioning.

8. Discussion and Action Items
    a. Old Business
        i. Facilities maintenance – Lights have been discussed. Ryan is getting an estimate from David Olney.
        ii. Old fire truck – no report
        iii. DTSC (toxic substances)—final letter – John Reed reported that the final letter was received with NO conditions. There was no fee. **Wade Wheeler moved, Sandy Chaille seconded, to buy the permit from the county for the road infrastructure, plus payment for John Reed's time. Motion carried.**
        iv. Community meeting—"Survey Monkey" groupings – Ryan Schulte handed out a draft of the survey monkey. The group approved the format and encouraged him to send it. There should be a field for an option to give a person's name. We'll ask organizations and SNO to disseminate it.
        v. Washout at the well – No news

vi. Biomass plant—update – We do not know what the shipping progress is yet. The power auction is still going on. It was 13.972 cents. It's now 14.1 cents. There are 3 companies in the auction. Greg is monitoring this. Phoenx Energy is into the business of bio-char, and this could be something that we can make. We can visit the bio-mass energy site in Merced, that is now open. Dan Rosenberg will suggest dates for our group to visit.

vii. Self Help Enterprises/Mill Compound—update/request for letter/pros & cons of residential property – The arsenic in the water was too scary to the organization. Ryan Schulte and Maryanne Welton checked out a grant for sewage and water treatment (CGBT grants are available). Elissa Brown suggested that Ryan Schulte talk with the county about more possibilities. It was a general consensus that the mill site is not an ideal location for housing. North Fork needs housing, but it is not necessarily on this site!

viii. Water/flooding problem in front of CDC building—update – no news; it looks almost one.

ix. P.G.&E. grant for removal of trees along south fork of Willow Creek between the Rec Center and CDC property—update. Cathey Thornberg reported that some of the plannng has been done, and they are waiting for the contract to be let.

x. Water system—results of spring box water test; fencing around box – no news

xi. Pallet business, Forest Service, historical buildings—interest in land – no news

xii. BRLF-designation of funds to savings – No action, due to no financial report.

b. New Business

i. EDA grant—proposal from grant writer: Elissa Brown has a positive outlook for a new EDA grant. She discussed the requirements for a new grant (infra-structure, jobs, etc). A pre-application is needed. Paul Erwin was present, to be part of the discussion. John Reed was also present, to assist with "scope" issues.

ii. Possible land purchase: John Reed gave the two land purchase offers for the parcels that are up front and #12. The discussion ensued, which gave the impression that we want a better business than a logging company. The tribe can get involved again with the "front" parcels. They could also do a swap. The general consensus was that we did not want the logging operation in the front of the property. They should be located elsewhere. John Reed will talk with the real estate company to see what else they might be interested in. At the same time, negotiations with the tribe will be reinstated.

9. Organizational Reports (if time) – History Group reported that the Exact Center of

California plaque is back! Phil Bartholomew will speak at the Women's Club. August 19th is the Poker Run to support the NFVFD Aux.

10. Adjournment – at 7:30 p.m.

Reminder: The next regular CDC board meeting will be on June 26 at 5:30 pm at the North Fork CDC Conference Room at the Mill Site.