



Pima Natural Resource Conservation District  
Pima Center for Conservation Education, Inc.  
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Tucson, AZ 85705



Final Minutes of the Board of Supervisors of the  
Pima Natural Resources Conservation District (PNRCD)

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Meeting Date: July 14, 2020                      Meeting Location: public teleconference  
Time the meeting was called to order: 1:17 pm

Attendees:

Supervisors-Clerk: Jim Chilton (Chair), Cindy Coping, Jonathan DuHamel, Patricia King (Treasurer), Andrew McGibbon, and Chris Postel (Clerk).

Others: Jackie Thomas (AZ State Land Department), Emilio Carrillo (NRCS) and Jonathan Goldman (Tucson resident, retired hydrologist)

Review/Approve 2020 State Land Annual Reports Due July 20 (See attached reports):

Supervisor King moved to accept the submitted reports. Supervisor Duhamel seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

Bighorn BAER Team Update and Pima NRCD Response Update: Supervisor Coping: Since the July 3rd conference call, Sheldon & Charlie Goff have identified the damages on the maps and have sent this information to Deborah Smith (AACD). However, none of the ranches are in the Pima District. Supervisor Chilton: Per policy, we can fund projects only in our District. Supervisor King: We should work with NRCS on emergency flooding. Emilio Carrillo: The areas that have a high flood potential are the Redington District ranches and houses in the Catalina foothills. Pima County Flood Control has contacted NRCS for emergency flood funds. Pima County would be the NRCS sponsor. So, currently NRCS is putting together a rapid assessment plan on state and private land with a cost estimate with a focus on protecting life and property. Pima County has to pay a 25% match. Supervisor Chilton: So, the District can do nothing until the flooding occurs and the impacted District ranchers contact us for assistance. Supervisor King: Pima County is addressing the flooding, not the Pima NRCD. Jackie Thomas: Chris Lohman (ASLD Range Manager) is working with the BAER team. Ranchers must ask the PNRCD for assistance. Clerk: The Winkelman NRCD is having a meeting on July 15 at 5 pm (only up to 10 people) with the Oracle Fire Department, Pinal County Flood Control, and other stakeholder to discuss potential the flood hazards. Supervisor Chilton: A lot of houses on the east side of the fire and the District can't communicate adequately with these area residents; so, the Pima County Flood Control department must be responsible. Supervisor McGibbon: During the Aspen Fire, the District got hay bales from Yuma which were laid out on Mt Lemon. The BAER Team was responsible because it was on Forest Service Land. Supervisor Coping will contact Deborah Smith (AACD) & Jennifer Ruyle (USFS) regarding next steps and she will email the Board with the updated information.

Nominate-Elect Officers: Supervisor Duhamel moved to nominate all of the incumbent (current) officers to serve in the same positions for the next 2 years. Supervisor King seconded. The motion carried 5-0.

Proposed Website Changes: Supervisor Coping discussed the proposed changes. Supervisor Duhamel moved to approved a budget up to \$300 for the proposed website changes. Supervisor King seconded. The motion carried 4-0.

Call to the Public: Jonathan Goldman is a new Tucson resident and is a supporter of resource conservation groups and has ranching friends. He has sent an email to the Clerk from the Pima County Flood Control and the BAER Team press release. The Clerk will forward the email to the Board.

Supervisor & Clerk Reports:

- Supervisor Chilton: He will be attending a meeting at the White House (Rose Garden) this coming Thursday. Also, he will be discussing Waters of the US (WOTUS).
- Supervisor Coping: Ed Kile (rancher) has contacted Brett Myers (NRCS) regarding cleaning out his stock pond. She is waiting for Brett's response.

**Meeting adjourned at 1:58 pm.** Supervisor DuHamel moved to adjourn the meeting. Supervisor King seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

Next Meeting Date: Changed from August 11 to September 8, 2020 at 1:15 pm

Final Minutes: Submitted by Chris Postel, Pima NRCD Clerk on September 3, 2020

Final Minutes were Approved by the PNRCD/PCCE Board of Supervisors:

Signed Jim Chilton 9-7-20  
Jim Chilton, Chair, Pima NRCD/PCCE Date