Minutes
Wednesday, May 30, 2018

10:00 am; County Administrator’s Conference Room
2 South Green Street, 4th Floor, Sonora, CA

1) Call to Order: Welcome and Introductions
Meeting was called to order at 2:00pm.

Members in attendance: Jim Maddox, Jim Phelan, Kevin Townsend and Fred Vigil. There is one vacant position on the committee.

Members of the public in attendance were Ron Anderson, Gary Stockel, Bill Youngman, Ryan Detrick, Darren Walther and Liz Peterson

2) Oral Communication: The public may speak on any item not on the printed agenda. No action will be taken by the committee.

None

3) Approval of Minutes: from the meeting held June 2, 2017

Jim Phelan moved to approve the minutes. Kevin Townsend seconded. Approved 4-0.

Action Items:

4) Consideration of providing partial funding for Tuolumne County’s contracted wildlife specialist services with USDA’s Wildlife Services Division.
Mr. Stockel discussed that 35% of Wildlife Services Specialist funding comes from unclaimed gas tax while the remainder comes from the County’s general fund. Due to required cuts in the County’s general fund, Mr. Stockel is requesting an additional $4250 for FY18-19 for the Wildlife Specialist to complete the report related to the Jawbone Deer Study. That would be an additional 104 hours.

Mr. Anderson states he is in the process of writing the report but he is currently compiling all the data they have and considering all of what should be included in the final, published report.

Jim Phelan moved to approve the funding request and Kevin Townsend seconded. Approved 4-0.

5) Consideration of approving purchasing requests from Wildlife Services, CDFW biologist and CDFW Warden

Jim Maddox noted the request from the CDFW Biologist/Wildlife Services Specialist is on hold at this time because they are still not sure what type of equipment will be most helpful with the Nutria eradication. They will come back with a request at a later date, if needed.

Mr. Detrick noted the Department is in need of 2 more winches to outfit the additional 2 trucks that will be operating in Tuolumne County.

Mr. Walther said the turkey decoys have been very successful however the old one was destroyed. He believes they will continue to see success if they are able to get new ones.

Jim Phelan moved to approve the purchases for $7,600 and Kevin Townsend seconded. Approved 4-0.

6) Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 10:48 am