

**Verde Natural Resource Conservation District  
October 14, 2022**

**MINUTES**

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 9 AM. In attendance:** Supervisors Norton, B. Hauser, Jensen, District Clerk Cox, John Ford, Jackie Thomas ASLD, Sierra Frydenlund and soil scientist.
  
- 2. Motion to approve Consent Agenda by Supervisor B. Hauser, seconded by Supervisor Jensen, approved unanimously.**
  
- 3. Presentations/Information/Reports**
  - a. Agency reports – ASLD: Jackie Thomas will provide information to Chip about state funds and said the pass through of \$2500 to the Ed Center will be available at the end of December. Verde NRCD will begin a search to replace Lynda Person who resigned early in October.
  - b. Agency reports-Sierra Frydenlund: Sierra will follow up with information about archeologist used by other districts-possible cost sharing. Dawn Salcito, supervisor, money comes from NACD, Quesha decides how funds will be spent. NRCS has a “best practices” national handbook and will send link to Verde NRCD. EQUIP deadline is 12/16/22. Currently working on flood mitigation in Flagstaff.
  - c. Advisor reports – TNC from John Ford: new water program director for the state, expects position will be in Northern Arizona. Mason Lane ditch loses about 30% of water in a one-mile stretch, working on correcting that problem. Also working with YAN on farm plan.
  - d. Supervisor reports: Brenda Hauser-Jackpot Ranch Roping-proceeds will benefit St. Jude’s. She will send flyer. Chris Jensen-Birding Festival will be held April 27 to April 30, 2023.
  
- 4. Old Business**
  - a. Walton Grant Update: Scheduled for December 2.
  - b. Discuss hiring individual to complete goals of Walton Grant: we will have about \$30,000 available to pay for a technical person who will work with small parcels on irrigation efficiency and provide information to local landowners about the water adjudication process. Need to find additional funding, work with TNC to find someone. Determine what available funds we have and how much additional funds will be needed and where we can obtain those extra dollars.
  
- 5. New Business**
  - a. Right to Farm Ordinance-information: the new ordinance is more about the product rather than practices. Discussion at Camp Verde Planning and Zoning begins November 30.
  
- 6. The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 AM.**