

Verde Natural Resource Conservation District
130 Black Bridge Loop Road
Friday, April 11, 2025

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 9:05 AM by Chairman Norton.
2. **Attendance:** Supervisors Norton, Largent, B. Hauser, C. Hauser. Guests: Becki Rusch, Mike Pierce, Marty Sutter, Mandy Rusch. District Clerk Cox.
3. **Consent Agenda:** Supervisor C. Hauser moved to approve the Consent Agenda, seconded by B. Hauser, approved unanimously.
4. **9:20 Presentations/Information/Reports**
 - a. Agency reports:
 - NRCS: Sierra Frydenlund resigned. Responsibility for Verde NRCD moved to Jonathan Chee.
 - Marty Sutter: new with Az Department of Agriculture, will be working on grants, recently moved to Wickenburg.
 - Mandy Rausch: USFS-provided information about getting information about prescribed burns, works with NRCS and on grassland restoration. Collecting data from surveys.
 - b. Advisor reports:
 - John Ford TNC is working on broader agricultural policy for Arizona as well as pipeline projects and irrigation funding.
 - B. Ross: putting in 9 miles of waterline.
 - c. Supervisor's reports:
 - Largent survived trip to Italy with 49 students.
 - C. Hauser: lots of farm activities, tripled yield on pecans.
 - C. Norton: WIFA project is going well, waiting for reimbursement.
6. **New Business**
 - a. Supervisor C. Hauser moved to accept the resignation of appointed Supervisor C. Jensen, seconded by Supervisor B. Hauser, approved unanimously.
 - b. Supervisor C. Hauser moved to appoint Becki Ross to fill the unexpired term of Supervisor Jensen, seconded by B. Hauser, approved unanimously.
 - c. Supervisor C. Hauser moved to remove Chris Jensen from the Credit Union West Verde Natural Resource and Environmental Education Center accounts and replace with Delbert "Chip" Norton and Claudia Hauser. Seconded by B. Hauser, approved unanimously.
 - d. Local Work Group materials provided to Supervisors. Supervisors were reminded that the best source of participation are direct invitations from individual board members.
7. **Adjourn:** The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 by Chairman Norton.