Inyo- Mono Resource Conservation District Meeting Minutes 6/5/23

Attending: Graham Meese, Chance Rossi, Jen Roeser, Rick Kattlemann, Kay Ogden, Kristen Pfeiler, Jarret Phillips (temporarily via phone), Mikhala Bornstein

* Graham called meeting into order at 6:06pm
* Introductions, what everyone sees as the vision for the RCD
* Rick Kattlemann – White bark institute and the Inyo-Mono water management group and how they got grants through a forest and fire capacity program, waiting to hear about a biomass project which was a USDA grant they applied for, the Bishop tribe wants to do a defensible space project
* Kristen Pfeiler- Defensible space grant, up to $500,000 can ask for staffing or hire contractors to do work, can also do fuels education, get money to underserved community to help with fuels reduction
* Jarret Phillips gave proxy vote to Graham Meese to vote however he sees fit
* Jarret moves to make a motion to nominate Kay Ogden to the board, Graham Meese seconds, Chance Rossi thirds, motion approved
* Kay says Oath and signs paperwork
* Kay motioned to approve the RCD applying for the defensible space grant, Graham seconds, motioned approved
* Rick mentioned that the Inyo-Mono Regional Water Management group has funds but no staff, these funds could eventually help fund a partnership position with the RCD and Management group
* Look over website
* Graham Meese motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:46pm seconded by Chance Rossi

Minutes submitted by Mikhala Bornstein NRCS