

**Redwood Region Economic Development Commission
LOAN COMMITTEE
Tuesday, October 18, 2011
11:00 a.m.
Minutes**

Present: Scott Pesch, Bruce Rupp, Frank Scolari, Liana Simpson, Phil Sullivan, Dan Sweet
Absent: Greg Bowen (alternate), Jennifer Budwig, Dean Charlton (alternate), Sherman Schapiro
Staff Present: Virginia Fisher, Gregg Foster, Bonnie Smoller

I. Call to Order

Vice Chair Liana Simpson called the meeting to order at 11:01 a.m.

II. Approval of Agenda and Minutes

M/S/P: Simpson/Scolari to approve the agenda and the minutes of October 4, 2011.

III. Public Input

None

IV. Old Business

None

V. New Business

A. Loan Approval or Denial: Ron and Barbara Kemp: F/V Ossian: Ron Kemp is a fulltime commercial fisherman. He owns the fishing vessel (F/V) Ossian. Ron received a Carl Moyer Grant Award for Marine Engine Repower from the North Coast Unified Air Quality Management District. The purpose of the Carl Moyer Grant is to replace old, polluting engines with engines that are cleaner than necessary.

This loan request is for a \$50,000 line of credit to fund upfront costs for the purchase and installation of a new engine for the Ossian. The term would be four months (120 days) at 10% fixed interest.

Total estimated cost for the engine and installation is \$78,000. Borrower has up to \$28,000 saved for the cost of the project. The new engine will allow the borrower to fish farther out and to stay out longer. Installation will be done by Fabcast Inc., 1711 2nd Street, Eureka.

Final payment will be disbursed off Fabcast invoice submitted to RREDC. Borrower will use the \$50,000 proceeds from the Carl Moyer Grant Fund for repayment of this loan.

M/S/P: Scolari/Sullivan to recommend approval of this loan, as presented, to the RREDC Executive Committee. Motion passed unanimously.

At 11:12 a.m. Scott Pesch joined the group.

B. Loan Update

No report.

VI. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 a.m.