



Kootenai-Shoshone Soil and Water Conservation District
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Date: February 21, 2019

Time: 9:00 a.m.

Place: NRCS Conference Room, 7830 Meadowlark Way, Suite C-1, Coeur d’Alene, ID 83815

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. District Business

- a. Approve Minutes from January’s Meeting ACTION ITEM
- b. Treasurer’s Report ACTION ITEM
- c. Reappoint Ed Pommerening for another term ACTION ITEM
- d. Approve Request for Technical Assistance ACTION ITEM
- e. Approve Annual/5YR Plan Submission ACTION ITEM
- f. Approve MOU on Boat Stations ACTION ITEM
- g. Approve MOU for the Urban Agriculture Grant

III. Agency Reports

- a. NRCS: Andrea
- b. ISWCC: Brad
- c. KSSWCD: Updates

IV. Other Business

- a. Growers Meeting ACTION ITEM
- b. Tree Seedlings Update
- c. District having their own Notary – Karla – ACTION ITEM
- d. Support for Forestry Contest – through Bonner SWCD - \$50.00 donation – ACTION ITEM
- e. Idaho District Employees Association Dues are Due \$50.00 – ACTION ITEM
- f. Meeting with Nic Zurfluh Wednesday Feb 20, 2019 at 1:00 pm at District Office
- g. Division 1 Spring Meeting on March 14, 2019

V. On Going Business

- a. Next Meeting March 13, 2019 at 9am NRCS Conference Room

VI. Adjournment ACTION ITEM

*The Kootenai-Shoshone Soil & Water Conservation District Supervisors may also hold an executive session to discuss personnel matters pursuant to Idaho Code #67-2345. No formal action will be taken during this session.

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“Putting conservation on the ground by promoting stewardship”

Minutes

Date: February 21, 2019

Present

Bob Burke, Vice-Chairman
Stan Thornton, Secretary/Treasurer
Linda Ely
Bob Flagor
Laurin Scarcello
Aubrey Hoxie, NRCS

Absent (Board members)

Ed Pommerening, Chairman
Mike Schlepp, Supervisor

Meeting was rescheduled from February 13, 2019 until today due to bad weather.

Meeting called to order by Vice - Chairman Bob Burke at 9:00 a.m.

Laurin Scarcello moved and Stan Thornton seconded the motion to approve the January minutes. **Motion Carried.**

Bob Flagor moved and Linda Ely seconded the motion to approve the January financial report without any additions or corrections. **Motion Carried.**

Laurin Scarcello moved for the re-appointment of Ed Pommerening for a second term as Chairman and Stan Thornton seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Ed Pommerening was aware of this re-appointment as recorded in the January 2019 minutes.

Our Administrator Karla Freeman addressed the Board on the Request for Technical Assistance that needed to be submitted by April 31, 2019. The hours stayed the same except we increased Brad Shelton's hours on the Seedling Program by 5 hours requesting a total of 15 hours for the next fiscal year.

Bob Flagor moved to accept the request as written and Linda Ely seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Karla Freeman also addressed the Board on submission of the 5 YR /Annual Plan. Statistics were updated as well as the addition of the four boat stations. Bob Flagor moved to submit the plan as written and Stan Thornton seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

The MOU for the Boat Stations has not been received. Once we receive this, we will hold an emergency meeting since we are so close to the time frame of the stations opening.

Karla Freeman announced that our district was awarded the Urban Agriculture Grant for \$34,335.00 from the NACD. She also presented the press release which was a standard template sent from NACD along with the MOU for the Board's approval. Linda Ely moved that this be approved and Laurin Scarcello seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

Aubrey Hoxie with the NRCS was in attendance. Aubrey reported that they currently have 21 active EQIP contracts, and 12 active RCPP-EQIP contracts. The NRCS has received 80 applications for the FY2019. The majority of these are all forestry applications for practice implementation. A small majority are streambank, pasture improvement, or irrigation.

Aubrey Hoxie reports on the new reorganization and how Team 1 is structured.

Aubrey Hoxie also reports that the Restoration Partnership is soliciting for project ideas from February 6, 2019 through March 20, 2019.

Aubrey Hoxie reported that the SWE (snow water equivalent) is 93% normal; %Precip: 81% as of February 11, 2019.

Aubrey Hoxie invited the board members to a Local Working Group Meeting being held on April 22, 2019 that will be hosted by the NRCS.

Discussions on the Annual Growers meeting are still ongoing. The District is looking at making this a Fall meeting as well as expanding the scope of attendees and speakers. The venue, date, and content are still in the early decision phases. This is to be added to the Agenda for the March 2019 board meeting.

As far as the Seedling Program, our Administrator, Karla Freeman had placed local announcements in the Coeur d'Alene Press newspaper and the Coeur d'Alene Chamber of commerce and is seeing a lot of response to this increasing our sales from private land owners.

The board discussed having our Administrator Karla Freeman become a notary for our district. Everyone agreed that this was a good idea, as well as the District covering any fees associated with this. Laurin Scarcello moved and Linda Ely seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

The District received a request of \$50.00 for support for the Forestry Contest sponsored through Bonner County. Stan Thornton moved and Laurin Scarcello seconded the motion. **Motion Carried.**

The Idaho District Employees Association dues are \$50.00 per year and are currently due. Linda Ely moved and Laurin Scarcello seconded the motion for dues to be paid. **Motion Carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 am.