



Kootenai-Shoshone Soil and Water Conservation District
7830 Meadowlark Way, Suite C1 – Coeur d’Alene, Idaho 83815 – Phone (208) 762-4939

Date: October 7, 2020

Time: 9:00 a.m

Place: DUE TO COVID19 – NRCS Building is Closed
Meeting will Stan Thornton’s Barn- 4714 S. Blue Creek Road, Coeur d’Alene, ID 83814
AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. District Business

- a. Approve Minutes from August’s Meeting **ACTION ITEM**
- b. Treasurer’s Report **ACTION ITEM**

III. Agency Reports

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

IV. Other Business

- a. Introduction – John Minichino Jr. – Running for Supervisor Position in November
- b. Franklin Reimbursement of Funds – **ACTION ITEM**
- c. IASCD Invoice for DUES - \$1,800.00 – **ACTION ITEM**
- d. Tree Order for PSP – **ACTION ITEM**

V. On Going Business

- a. Next Meeting November 11, 2020 at 9am NRCS Conference Room

VII. 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(1)(a) & (b)5]. No formal action will be taken during this session.

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“Putting conservation on the ground by promoting stewardship”

Minutes

Date: October 7, 2020

Present

Stan Thornton - Secretary/Treasurer
Linda Ely – Supervisor
Bob Flagor – Supervisor
Laurin Scarcello - Supervisor
Karla Freeman, KSSWCD
Brad Shelton – ISWCC
John Minichino Jr. - Landowner

Absent (Board members)

Mike Schlepp - Supervisor
Ed Pommerening - Chairman
Bob Burke – Vice Chairman

Meeting was held at Stan Thornton’s address at 4714 S. Blue Creek Road, Coeur d’Alene, ID 83815 due to the NRCS office still being closed due to COVID-19.

Meeting called to order by Treasurer Stan Thornton at 9:00 a.m.

Laurin Scarcello moved and Linda Ely seconded the motion to approve the August 2020 minutes. **Motion Carried.**

Bob Flagor moved and Linda Ely seconded the motion to approve the August 2020 financial reports. **Motion Carried.**

Aubrey Hoxie, NRCS was not in attendance but did provide a handout of the updates from her agency.

Brad Shelton, ISWCC updated that Financial Match has been approved and the districts should be receiving the check in November. Brad also met with a landowner on the Coeur d’ Alene River who is having issues with bank erosion from wake boats. There is a possibility of a 319 grant application, the project could be around 1700 sq feet if the neighbors all agree to the project idea. Brad also updated on the Wolf Lodge Creek project, construction began on Monday October 5th and is moving forward and on schedule.

Karla Freeman, District Administrator updated that the District did purchase a new laptop. Along with the laptop the Quick Books program has been updated as well.

Karla also updated that we had received the last installment from the state for the boat stations. There is one boat station still open and closes on October 31,2020.

Karla updated on the Castle Rock Ranch – Albert Walsh project. This project is moving forward with fencing and plantings being done by the landowner.

Karla updated that we have already made 3 payments into the Panhandle Seedling Program (PSP) and the final payment will be made at the beginning of November. This last payment will complete the buy in agreement.

Karla updated on the upcoming Division 1 meeting being held on Wednesday October 14th, 2020 at 10:00 am. Karla will send payment for anyone attending this meeting.

Karla updated that currently we have two candidates that we have in mind for the NACD TA assistance grant. Aubrey Hoxie, NRCS will be guiding our decision process since this person will be working mainly with NRCS practices.

John Minichino Jr. was on the agenda to introduce himself to the board. John is currently seeking a seat on the board and wanted to attend the meeting to answer any questions that the board may have for him. John is a 9 year resident of Kootenai County and has been employed by Kootenai Health for the last 5 years. John stated he had no background in conservation. John is interested in maintaining conservation practices during this booming growth in Kootenai County.

Franklin County has made a settlement and has been ordered to reimburse the Districts over a 5 year term. We have received the first payment from them, there has been discussion on whether or not to keep this money or return the funds back to Franklin County. Bob Flagor motioned and Linda Ely seconded the motion to keep the funds and deposit in the bank. **MOTION CARRIED.**

IASCD has sent an invoice for the annual dues to all districts. There has been discussions within Division 1 on whether or not to pay the dues. We are deferring the vote on to pay dues or not until after the Division 1 meeting on October 14, 2020 so this can be discussed with the other Districts in the Division. We will then vote via email to pay annual dues or withhold payment.

Next on the agenda is the PSP tree order for 2022. This order needs to be turned into the PSP by the end of October 2020. Bob Flagor motioned and Laurin Scarcello seconded the motion to approve the current tree order. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Next board meeting will be November 10, 2020 at 9:00 am at a location to be determined.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 am.