



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

Date: October 13, 2021
Time: 9:00 am

Place: Kootenai County Licensing Building – 451 Government Way, Coeur d’Alene, ID 83815 Meeting Room 1 A

AGENDA

I. Call to Order

II. District Business

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

III. Agency Reports

- a. NRCS: Aubrey
- b. ISWCC: Katie Yoder
- c. KSSWCD: Karla Freeman

IV. Other Business

- a. Submission of Performance Report for 2021- **ACTION ITEM**

V. On Going Business

- a. Next Meeting November 10, 2021 at 9:00 to be announced.

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 13, 2021

Present

Bob Burke – Vice Chairman
Linda Ely – Supervisor
Bob Flagor – Supervisor
Stan Thornton – Associate Supervisor/Treasurer
Karla Freeman, KSSWCD
Aubrey Hoxie - NRCS
Valerie Wade – Landowner
Wes Evans – Supervisor – Via telephone

Absent (Board members)

Katie Yoder – ISWCC
Laurin Scarcello – Supervisor
John Minichino, Jr. – Supervisor
Bill Lillibridge – ISWCC
Emily Corisis - KSSWCD

Meeting was held at the Kootenai County Licensing Building located at 451 Government Way Room 1A in Coeur d’Alene, ID 83815

Meeting called to order by Supervisor Bob Flagor at 9:05 am.

Bob Flagor moved, and Linda Ely seconded the motion to approve the September 2021 minutes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Linda Ely moved, and Bob Flagor seconded the motion to approve the September 2021 financial reports. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Valerie Wade was introduced to the board. Valerie is a landowner and used to work for Panhandle Health.

Aubrey Hoxie, NRCS updated that currently the NRCS have 30 active EQIP contracts and 14 active RCPP-EQIP contracts in the service center, team 2 has 76 active EQIP /RCPP contract. The application deadline is November 5, 2021. As far as the CSP program there are 5 active contracts in Kootenai/Shoshone. Team 2 has 7 active contracts in Coeur d’Alene. The application deadline is March 11, 2022 for this program.

Aubrey updated that the Coeur d’Alene-St. Joe River basin SWE (snow water equivalent) is N/A and precipitation is 27% of normal. The new water year started on October 1, 2021.

Aubrey updated the recent COVID conditions within the office, there is 50% staff capacity in the office and visitors are by appointment only.

Aubrey updated that the Local Work Group meeting will be a hybrid meeting on November 4, 2021 and will be held at the Kootenai County Licensing Building located at 451 Government Way in conference room 1A and 1B. The time will be 12:00 pm to 4:00 pm. An agenda and worksheets were handed out. Benewah SWCD will be hosting, and Kylie Daman (administrator) will be sending out a zoom invite for anyone who wants to attend via zoom.

Bill Lillibridge, ISWCC was not in attendance. Katie Yoder ISWCC was not in attendance.

Karla Freeman, District Administrator gave updates:

The district received the last installment from the boat stations. Three inspection stations have closed at the end of September, and we have the last station closing on October 31, 2021. Karla updated that she would have Kelli Moe the boat station manager attend the next meeting with year end boat stats and update the board on the seasons' issues. Karla discussed with the board concerns for the next years boat season contract with ISDA. There are issues with trying to find employees at the rate of pay we are offering. Karla discussed having pay raises reflected in the new agreement.

Karla updated that the final report and final reimbursement have been submitted on the Albert Walsh – Castle Rock Ranch Project. This project is now completed and closed out.

Karla updated that the 319 BMP grant for Larry Mundt – Mica Creek has been started. The project is at 60% completion. We are currently waiting for approval for an extension to the permit.

Karla updated that the annual conference in Boise has been cancelled. Karla has cancelled the hotel room as well as the airline tickets. All refunds should be hitting the bank account in 7 – 10 days.

Next item on the agenda was the approval of the annual Performance Report. Bob Flagor moved and Linda Ely seconded the motion. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Bob Flagor updated the board on the annual business meeting. Since the annual conference has been cancelled there is a possibility that the business meeting will be held at the next legislative days in Boise which will be held in January 2022. There is a huge disconnect on how to hold this meeting, a hybrid or in person only meeting. Numerous board members throughout Idaho are wanting to have a zoom option so they can participate in items to be voted on.

Stan Thornton updated that he will be stepping down in his position as an associate member as well as our treasurer.

Next board meeting will be October 13, 2021 at 9:00 am at Kootenai County Licensing Building located at 451 Government Way Room 1A in Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815

Meeting adjourned at 10:20 am.