

ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT
FORSYTH, MONTANA 59327

December 10, 1975

Members present were: Joe Nansel, Chairman, Omer Erickson, Vice Chairman, Everett Redeen, Treasurer, Kent Montgomery, Harlin Steiger, and Dennis Kenney.

Others present were: Roy Houser, Acting Secretary, and Reg Hoff, Extension Service.

The agenda of the meeting was as follows:

1. Hearing on S.B. #310 was discussed and some changes made. They were reviewed and discussed at some length. Motion by Redeen, seconded by Montgomery to adopt the rules as modified. Motion carried. New copies will be prepared and made available to interested parties. They will be filed with the County Clerk and Recorder, a copy sent to DNRC, and other locally interested persons and groups.
2. Our checking account balance at the bank is \$101.66.
3. Elections are due in Spring, 1976. Terms of Erickson, Redeen, and Montgomery are up. Will plan an election in conjunction with schools in April. Everett stated he would decline renomination but offered to assist in any way otherwise. He was asked if he would be willing to serve as an associate member and he stated he would. We wondered if he could serve as Treasurer and handle county warrants, as an associate member. Will check with Ole Ueland on this. It was felt that polling places should be set up at more locations in the district this next time.
4. Claims & warrants were approved as follows:
 - a) Forsyth Independent (Legal Notices) \$21.00
 - b) Soil Conservation Society of America (Conservation Booklets and Teaching Aides) \$27.25
5. It was thought we could get word out to land users on SB #310 & application requirements through the ASCS newsletter, the Extension Service Newsletter, and other media such as an article in the Forsyth Independent.
6. Motion to adjourn by Kenney, seconded by Erickson. Motion carried. Meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Roy Houser

Roy Houser
Acting Secretary

MINUTES OF THE ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING HELD, JANUARY 29, 1975

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Joe Nansel at 7:30 P.M.

Members present: Nansel, Erickson, Redeen, Steiger, and Montgomery.
Others present were: Don Anderson, SCS, Billings, Lee Jones, Res, Cons. SCS, Sidney, Reg Hoff, Extension Agent, and Roy Houser SCS Acting Secretary.

Minutes of the previous meeting read and approved.

1. Everett complimented Kent on his presentation of the Districts "position" statement at the hearing for Colstrip units 3 and 4.
2. Correspondence:
 - a. Letter from Upper Musselshell District advising of their annual meeting and election.
 - b. NACD personnel inventory. Letter giving reasons, methods and hoped for deadline. Discussion resulted in a recommendation that Rosebud and Treasure Counties (served by the Forsyth field office) be staffed as follows; have two permanent aides and that the district will re-allocate their funds for part time help; rodman, secretary, etc.
 - c. Some debate was held in regard to a Sanitarian for just one county (presently one man shared with three counties). No firm decision on this.
3. Claim & Warrant approved for Workman's Compensation (D. Lind) \$2.83 Moved, seconded and passed.
4. District information program discussed. Our usual information activity at this time of year is to provide Conservation Cartoon story books to each 5th grader in the County. Would need about 175-200. It was moved by Montgomery, second by Redeen to purchase 200 books for distribution. Also order one set of teacher guides for each 5th grade class. (10 is estimated). Will cost about \$30.00 for whole package. Motion passed!
5. Considerable discussion held in regard to need for election as Harlin's term is up. Discussed possibility of holding election by mail. This year will do the usual way and set up polling places, in conjunction with some other activity. Legal notice in paper two weeks prior to date. Petition started to nominate Steiger. Should get another name on ballot and space for write-in.
6. Annual State and National Dues notice received. It was decided to pay as follows:
 - a. MACD's - \$250.00 budgeted \$300.00
 - b. NACD's - 50.00
 - c. Plant materials Center - \$25.00 from District checking account.Motion by Montgomery, second by Redeen and passed.

7. Treasurer's report indicates balance in district checking account of \$125.03.
8. District agreement was approved for Bob Johnson. (892 ac.)
9. A review was given by D. C. Roy Houser as to Great Plains Program status. Active applications at present total 6, - 76,097 ac. These are persons who really want a contract. Priorities were reviewed and it was agreed that all are #2 priority, therefore will process them in order as signed up and as money becomes available.
10. Speech contest applications were received and it was decided to send to each of the high schools in county. To English teacher, superintendents and Vo-Ag. instructors.
11. Recreation Inventory on all private lands to be done by about 3/11. Forms and procedure available. Will do as soon as all the proper people can get together. (Supervisors, Extension, SCS, Fish & Game, etc.) Will contact Treasure county to do at same time.
12. Don Anderson, SCS area conservationist at Billings and Lee Jones, Resource Conservationist at Sidney with the Eighteen County Eastern Montana Development Association, spoke in regard to need for and techniques for updating the SCD long range program. Kinds of resource inventories needed and how to get them done was discussed. Will need policy direction from the board from time to time and setting of goals and priorities.

Anderson mentioned funding had become available from the Old West Regional Commission to furnish a man to work at the Plant Materials Center on specific plants to aid in saline seep control.

13. A certificate was presented to Everett Redeem for 25 years of service to the Soil Conservation District. It will be properly framed. Much appreciation is extended to Everett for a job well done.
14. Discussed the advisability of having a contractor meeting. Board feels we should do so on a very informal basis and just "shoot the bull" about any problems they have and we have, so as to become more efficient in our service to land users and to get quality and quantity work done.
15. Mention was made that the National Convention will be held this year at Denver. As close as it will ever be to us. No one feels they can go.

No further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 P.M.

Roy Houser, Acting Secretary

MINUTES OF THE ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING HELD MARCH 26, 1975

Regular meeting called to order by chairman Joe Nansel at 8:00 P.M. Members present were: Nansel, Redeem, Erickson. Others: Eldon Rice, Coordinator Rosebud County Planning Board, Beech Warner, SCS, Forsyth and Roy Houser, acting secretary.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Discussion was held as to mode of payment of the SCD obligation toward the Soil Survey effort. Present agreement calls for payment once per annum. It was suggested that perhaps payment should be claimed several times per year. After some debate it was decided to leave the agreement as is and not ask for an ammendment. Motion passed to do this.

Treasurers report given. Check balance is \$100.03. Check for annual dues to PMC has been cashed. Bills: 1. Forsyth Independent (election notices and envelopes - \$39.76.

2. Approved raise in mileage from 9¢ to 12¢ per mile. This is what the county is currently paying.
3. Beech Warner (mileage to Miles City to attend Public Land Users meeting. 94 miles x .12 = \$11.28.
4. Petty Cash fund - \$10.00.
5. Soil Conservation ~~Secretary~~ *Society* of America = \$26.00. (200 booklets and teaching aids)
6. County Extension office - \$7.00. *(1974 Annual Report)*
7. Rent on small room in library basement for contractors meeting - \$2.50 (will pay from petty cash fund)

Moved by Redeem, seconded and passed that above items be approved for payment, claims and warrants signed.

Discussion held in regard to County mill levy, budget for next fiscal year etc. Will need to prepare budget in May or early June!

Letter read from Ole Uelands' office in regard to taxable valuation on real property in each county for SCD purposes.

Have been sending out "Soil Conservation Magazine" to Dr.'s offices, banks, schools, etc. Will not do until further notice as cost too high. Subscriptions have gone up from \$2.50/yr. to \$6.50.

Conservation booklets and teaching aids have been sent out to each 5th grade student in County.

Question - Are all district supervisors receiving Pete Jackson's monthly newsletter? Everett Redeen said he was quite sure he hadn't. Will ask Pete if all supervisors are on mailing list.

Discussion on final plans for election to be held 4-1-'75 in conjunction with school election. Have two nominees for Steigers place on board, Dennis Kenney and Harlin Steiger. Dona Houser will serve as polling superintendent and polls will be open from 12:00 to 8:00 p.m. Notices and news articles on election have been in local paper three times. Absentee ballots and write-ins are permissible!

Letter from Ole Ueland in regard to annual reports. Annual Work Plans and financial reports. Also request for copies of minutes for months of April, July, August, October and November. No meetings held then. Had range tour in July. Will reply to Ole's letter right away, including 1974 work plan.

Copy of MACD minutes available of the Annual meeting at Lewistown.

One of the soils men reported that he thought he had identified Halogeton on the county road shoulder, west of Castle Rock. Will check it out this summer. This is a noxious and poisonous weed.

Annual reports of 1973 REAP program and 1974 REAP program were provided to the SCD by Pat Warren, Extension Director ASCS.

EXECUTIVE

Personnel inventory made and letter sent to SCS State Conservationist as to SCD needs and priorities.

Irrigation questionnaire completed for ~~DNRC~~.

Discussed legislative amendment to exclude smaller ponds and pits from present water rights filing procedure. Will check on status of this and if needed will contact Senator Dave Manning and Representative Ernie Dassinger.

Beech Warner reported on the meeting at Miles City 3-12-'75 concerning "Public Land Users." Sponsored by Montana Association of State Grazing Districts, Conservation Districts Division DNRC. Topics were: a) DNRC programs (Range, Forestry, Energy); b) Land Use Planning; c) Hunter-Stockman Relations; d) Issues confronting Public Land Users; e) Legislation of concern to Public Land Users.

Letter was read in regard to State Forest Nursery Sales Policy: Some changes were noted.

Snowpack and water supply forecast was reviewed. It appears irrigation water supplies will be near average.

The NACD Annual Report has been received and is available in the office.

Meeting adjourned 10:30 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT HELD APRIL 30, 1975

Members present were: Joe Nansel, Omer Erickson, Everett Redeen, Dennis Kenney, and Kent Montgomery.

Others present were: Reg Hoff, County Extension Agent, Jack Rogers, State Soils Scientist, Bozeman, Don Anderson A.C. (SCS), Billings, Lew Daniels SCS, Forsyth and Roy Houser SCS, Acting Secretary.

Meeting was called to order at 8:00 P.M. by Chairman Joe Nansel. Minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

- I. Results of election were reported. All necessary forms were completed and signed. Dennis Kenney is new supervisor and signed oath of office. a.) Ballots were canvassed. b) Appointed Harlin Steiger as an associate member and requested him to continue to represent the SCD on the Rosebud County Planning Board. Write letter to County Commissioners appointing Harlin as our member to County Planning Board. c.) Approved payment to polling superintendant \$15.00. Claim and warrant approved. Moved by Redeen, 2nd by Erickson, passed. d.) Oath of office will be notarized.
- II. It was reported that Hugh Krueger has decided to seek employment elsewhere. Wants to earn more so wife won't have to work. Has applied 2-3 places, no offers yet. Dave can step up into permanent position GS-5 as he is qualified and in civil service register.
- III. Jack Rogers was asked to explain the proposed agreement to soil survey Northern Cheyenne reservation. Long discussion followed with many questions asked, particularly in regard to reaction among non-Indians on Tongue River and Rosebud Creek who we are to survey in 1975 and who have recently been named in a suit claiming all of said waters by said Indians. Board wants to contact key groups and persons to assess feelings. Do not want to jeopardize whole county survey in order to complete 400,000 acres of reservation. BIA is to furnish two men and SCS one man (reimbursed by BIA) and target date is Spring 1976. Big Horn SCD will also be asked to cooperate and sign agreement as half of reservation is in that county. Want week or 10 days to decide and notify SCS.
- IV. Local SCS has contacted Steve Jessen to publish a conservation issue or page in the Forsyth Independent soon. Want to get pictures of Board (done by Lew Daniels at meeting.) Will have pictures of soils survey crews taken by Mrs. Daniels. Also, pictures of other SCS employees on the job. Banner across top or bottom of page sponsored by SCD. (about \$20.00).

- a.) What do you want to emphasize in stories? Range, soils, etc.
- b.) Will you pay Daniels for film, etc. about \$10.00 - Agreed.
- V. 4-H Camp will be held again at Kalispell 6-23-27. Two youngsters from Rosebud County can attend. Try to locate two and chaperones to go along.
- VI. Don Anderson reported on the recent State ACP development meeting in Lewistown. Funding is to be at about same as 1973. Program practices about same as 1970. County Comm-~~tee~~ ^{tee} is ~~planned~~ will meet soon.
- VII. Will write GP contracts as fast as possible to use 1975 money. Also to build a shelf for 1976 F.Y. Have six valid contract applications.
- VIII. Question has arisen in regard to providing soils or other resource information to ~~companies~~ ^{companies} such as WESCO, which is a speculative and mining firm. They lease minerals and surface from parties, plan for development and in some cases do the development. Checked with land owners and they are agreeable. (Hayes, Nance, Brewsters, Trusslers, etc.) If ~~they~~ ^{THEY ARE} district cooperators will work with them, but only with their specific permission to release the information.
- IX. Balances in County Budget as of 4-1-75. Engineer and clerical services - \$1425, Education - \$90.80, Supervisor expense - \$118.36, Postage - \$88.30, Soil Survey - \$5616.00. Must plan for 1976 F.Y. budget by June 10.
- X. Shall we have another range tour this year? Where? When? Seems most think we should. Can work out where and when through agency people.
- XI. Question as to trying to hold a sprinkler tour with a followup economics session on irrigation next winter. OK probably half day (KD, Deveny & Mackley)
- XII. Note was made that a radio station is to be built this summer along old US#10. May be good source for getting information out.
- XIII. Next regular meeting should be May 28 at 8:00 P.M.
- XIV. Treasurer reported that district check book balance is \$100.03.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 P.M.

Roy Houser, acting secretary

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June 11, 1975

Members present were: Joe Nansel, Omer Erickson, Dennis Kenney

Others present were: Roy Houser SCS, Acting Secretary

Meeting was called to order at 8:15 P.M. by chairman Joe Nansel.
Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

1. 1976 Fiscal Year budget request was prepared. It was noted that 1½ miles will bring in about \$1,000 more than in 1975 Fiscal Year. We'll budget most of this additional amount primarily for salaries. We'll have to meet with the County Commissioners later in June to discuss budget.
2. District agreements were approved for Bob Mereness & Morris Cole.
3. Discussion was held concerning upcoming tours and dates.
7/1 - Sprinkler tour in the afternoon at the K-D Ranch, Deveny and Mackley's. Plan to follow this up in the winter with an economics session on sprinklers.

7/15- Range tour at Ray Batey Ranch
4. Lind to SCD payroll starting 6/9 thru 9/1. Discussion as to paying Dave \$4/hr. Brabec to SCD payroll also 6/9. Same salary as last year. Both men must be off the Soil Conservation Service payroll during pay period #12 (6/9 - 6/20) so as not to count against Montana "head count". Dave plans to resign and return to school about 9/1 so need to look for replacement. Motion made by Erickson & seconded by Kenney to cover above actions-passed.
5. Northern Cheyenne Soil Survey agreement finalized. Copy for our files all signed. Crews are to start work immediately.
6. We are preparing a conservation "page" for the Forsyth Independent. Probably will be printed on 6/19. Include subjects of weed control, range, soils, pictures of all SCD & SCS personnel etc.
7. Gt/ Plains Conservation Program active. Beech Warner has written and producers have signed 4 contracts equalling \$89,000 in cost sharing. Hays & Sons Inc. and Nansel Bros. Cattle Co. in Treas. Co. Erickson Land and Livestock & Ray Batey in Rosebud Co. Anticipate 1 more before 6/30/75.
8. a. Authorized purchase of 2 rolls of 10¢ stamps equalling \$20.00.

b. Roy Houser -- \$8.88 (Refreshments at DNRC Water meeting)

c. Approved claim from SCS for soil survey obligation 1975 Fiscal Year. \$5616.00

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- d. Received check from Gaab's for trees ordered through district. \$15.86 Will deposit in SCD checking account. All claims approved for payment. Motion made by Erickson and seconded by Kenney - passed.
- 9. Reaffirmed soil survey agreements as follows for the 1976 Fiscal Year.
 - a. SCS, Rosebud Co., Rosebud Conservation District and Bureau of Land Management.
 - b. Soil Conservation District, Soil Conservation Service and Rosebud County. Both agreements signed by chairman.
- 10. County claim prepared for submission to the Forsyth Cemetery Board for trees ordered through the SCD \$13.00
- 11. Joe Nansel reported on the range leaders meeting held at Miles City. They are to send each district a copy of the minutes of this meeting. Some indication was given that assistance for range tours etc. may be available through the personnel employed by the Old West Regional Commission. One man hired on this and will probably be headquartered at Sidney, Tom Sparks from Plevna, Mont. Should invite Tom to our range tours, 7/15.
- 12. Discussion was held on water rights, permit system etc. Permits system is bogged down and it has been indicated that most applications will take 6-9 months to process. Partly because of backlog, partly because of lengthy procedure to clear all the hurdles. Last legislature has provided the administrative machinery whereby if an application appears not to adversely affect anyone, several steps can be omitted and a permit issued in about 60 days. Need to apply pressure to DNRC to do this. Dave Manning and E. Dassinger have been made aware of problems and have contacted Gary Wicks. Contractors, SCD'S and agricultural groups need to continue to clear bottlenecks and speed up processing.
- 13. Reorganization of board conducted. Officers for coming year are:
 - Joe Nansel - Chairman
 - Omer Erickson - V. Chairman
 - Everett Redeen - Treasurer
 - Kent Montgomery & Dennis Kenney - regular members
 - Harlin Steiger - assoc. member

Meeting adjourned at 11 P.M.

Roy Houser, acting secretary

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July 23, 1975

Meeting held at 8:00 p.m. Members present were: Joe Nansel, chr.; Omer Erickson, V. Chr.; Everett Redeen, Treas.; Harlin Steiger and Dennis Kenney

Others present were: Steve Petersen D.N.R.C. (planners)
Glen Smith D.N.R.C. (Soils)
Reg Hoff C.E.A.
Roy Houser S.C.S. (Acting Secretary)

Also: Les Criswell, Harold Hert & Howard Hadden, Treas. C.D.

Meeting Called to order by chairman Nansel. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved with minor corrections.

1. Petersen & Smith presented an introduction to the state water law as it pertains to reservation of waters for future use. Law is interpreted to mean that a sub-division of state government can file for and reserve waters for such uses as irrigation, stockwater, waterspreading projects, recreation & wildlife etc. A rather complete request must be filed with the D.N.R. board who must make final decision. The conservation district must have as much supporting data as it can reasonably gather to substantiate the request. D.N.R.C. men suggested the conservation district make an inventory of those who have potential developments. A soil classification meeting was made available for Rosebud County showing potentials in three (3) phases. Ask cooperators to state their potentials, desires & plans for perhaps up to 20 years. Each right then issued by the Conservation District is deducted from their allocation. At least it keeps the process local & provides a means to reserve waters for the future. The boards want to pursue this and get a request in as soon as possible.

Processing of water rights was discussed as delays are the rule. Some permits requested over a year ago have not been processed. Boards contractors, & legislators should all make their wishes known in regard to expediting the procedures. S.B. #310 was mentioned as another Conservation District responsibility coming up right away. This concerns any works of improvements on the main streams in Montana. Diversion dams, pump sites, rip-rap jobs, etc.

Mr. Petersen & Smith left for Billings about 9:30 p.m.

2. The 2 Conservation District boards discussed budgeting through county commissioners for the 1976 fiscal year. Personnel problems were brought out by Roy Houser as to loss of technical help. Krueger has quit to work at Colstrip & Dave Lind plans to return to school 9/1. SCS administration hopes to be able to transfer someone down here who is experienced. Will try to determine Brabec's qualifications and make him an offer. The two districts are requesting \$7,000-\$8,000 for technical help in their preliminary budgets.

Discussed the hiring of a clerk part time. Funds were approved for a person for 2-2½ day/week for the fiscal year. This will vary somewhat depending upon how much we must pay per hour for the person.

Dept of Rev. has settled on Rosebud County's valuation at \$42,958,000 Amount the Conservation District can assess 1.5 mills on is \$9,535,277. This would amount to \$14,304.92 Budget request is somewhat less than this at present. It was agreed though to ask for an additional \$2,500 for salaries in the final budget as it expected that Conservation Districts will have to get involved in water reservations & streambank management,

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3. Houser stated that he had recently spent several hours with the new reclamation man at Western Energy looking at seedings, topsoiling, research projects and checking on "plant materials" provided through the Conservation District. Some seed species have not been planted as yet. Discussed the sites that might lend themselves to the recent supply of "Tegmar", intermediate wheatgrass", supplied from PMC in Idaho.
4. A potential group of citizens who might be interested in a conservation slide lecture or field trip are the "Senior Citizens". They are quite active, interesting & influential as many have interests in lands locally. Will try to contact soon!
5. A letter and form regarding the assigning of an unemployment number to the district was read. Joe signed the form.
6. Bank account balance as of 7/18 is \$101.66.
7. Claims against the district were reviewed and approved for payment:
 - a. Forsyth Independent \$17.00
 - b. Eugenia Daniels(pics) \$10.00
8. Letter was read from Mike Moon regarding recent D.N.R.C. meeting held on Yellowstone River study. He states that though D.N.R.C. does not feel they can assist in the defense of local water users against the U.S. Government and Indians claiming waters of the Rosebud, Tongue, and Big Horn Rivers. Case was turned over to the Attorney Generals office June 4, 1975.
9. Cooperative agreements were approved for the following:
 - a. Floyd Dowlin
 - b. Katherine Crosby
 - c. Jim Mitchell
10. Delivered GP contract to Joe Nansel (Nansel Bros. Cattle Co.)
11. BLM environmental studies on the S. Rosebud unit and the Coalwood unit were made available to us.
12. Recent tours were reported on by the Co. Agent. Sprinkler tour seemed to have been timed wrong. Had a pretty good turnout at the range tour, Ray Batey ranch, July 21.
13. Revenue sharing funds are available to Conservation Districts under certain conditions. Seems some districts have already applied.
14. Letters from Rosebud ASCS comm. indicates that the cost share funds used in our district amounted to \$233,000, in 1974.

Meeting adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

Roy Houser, Acting Secretary

September 12, 1975

C. M. Ueland
Conservation Districts Division
Helena, Montana 59061

Dear Ole:

In answer to your letter of August 19, 1975, we are missing copies of the following minutes, from the list of the ones that you are missing.

<u>1956</u>		<u>1957</u>		<u>1959</u>		<u>1960</u>		<u>1961</u>
Sept.		July		Oct.		Sept.		June
Oct.		Nov.		Dec.				Sept.
								Nov.
<u>1962</u>	<u>1963</u>		<u>1964</u>		<u>1965</u>		<u>1966</u>	<u>1967</u>
Feb.	July		Feb.		May		Feb.	Feb.
June	Sept.		June		Aug.		June	June
			July		Oct.		Aug.	
			Aug.		Dec.		Oct.	
			Oct.				Dec.	
			Dec.					
<u>1969</u>	<u>1970</u>		<u>1971</u>		<u>1972</u>		<u>1973</u>	<u>1974</u>
July	May		June		April		Feb.	April
	July		July		Sept.		June	July
	Nov.		Nov.		Oct.			Aug.
			Dec.					Oct.
								Nov.

Enclosed are copies of the minutes of two meetings which we have duplicates of, so you can have them for your files.

Sincerely,


Roy L. DaSack
Secretary

MEMORANDUM
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES & CONSERVATION

Helena, Montana

Date: 8-19-75

From O. M. Ueland, Conservation Districts Div. Subject:

To Roy Houser, Jr., Rosebud County CD Secretary

Our records indicate the attached information for your Conservation District. Could you please reivew this for changes, additions, etc. and let us know if you have copies of the minutes we are missing?
Thank you.



ROSEBUD COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
(Organized 1942)

<u>1942</u>	<u>1943</u>	<u>1944</u>
R. P. Muri Arthur Polich W. E. Quigley E. Lentz Paul Bowers	R. P. Muri Arthur Polich W. E. Quigley Otto Tulgestke Paul Bowers	No changes
(No min. for 7, 9-12)	(No min. for all year)	(No min. for 1-8, 10-12)
<u>1945</u>	<u>1946</u>	<u>1947</u>
R. P. Muri Ernest Reuss W. E. Quigley Otto Tulgestke Paul Bowers	R. P. Muri Ernest Reuss W. E. Quigley Otto Tulgestke Arthur Polich	R. P. Muri Ernest Reuss W. E. Quigley Arthur Polich
(No min. for all year)	(No min. for all year)	(No min. for all year)
<u>1948</u>	<u>1949</u>	<u>1950</u>
W. E. Quigley Arthur Polich	W. E. Quigley Everett Redeen Arthur Polich	Marcus Nance W. H. Miller John Baringer Everett Redeen C. H. Schneidmiller
(No min. for all year)	(No min. for all year)	(No min. for 1-10, 12)
<u>1951</u>	<u>1952</u>	<u>1953</u>
Marcus Nance W. H. Miller John Baringer Everett Redeen Arthur Polich	Marcus Nance W. H. Miller Art Mees Everett Redeen Arthur Polich	Ralph Lee W. H. Miller Art Mees Everett Redeen Arthur Polich
(No min. for 8, 12)	(No min. for 2, 7-9, 12)	(No min. for 1, 12)
<u>1954</u>	<u>1955</u>	<u>1956</u>
Ralph Lee W. H. Miller Art Mees Everett Redeen Don Luhman	Ralph Lee Ivan Dahlman Alfred Thompson Everett Redeen Don Luhman	R. J. Borer Ivan Dahlman Alfred Thompson Everett Redeen Don Luhman
(No min. for 7, 11)	(No min. for 7-9)	(No min. for 1, 5, 8-10)

Sept - Oct

1957

No changes

*Jan
Not*(No min. for 4, 5, 7,
9-11)1958R. J. Borer
Don Luman
Alfred Thompson
Everett Redeen
James Snider

(All min. received)

1959R. J. Borer
Don Luman
Alfred Thompson
Everett Redeen
James Snider

(No min. for 10, 12)

*Oct + Dec*1960R. J. Borer
Don Luman
Alfred Thompson
Everett Redeen
James Snider

(No min. for 8, 9, 11)

1961R. J. Borer
Miles Morton
Omer Erickson
Everett Redeen
Fred Boyd(No min. for 4-6, 8, 9,
11, 12)1962R. J. Borer
Miles Morton
Omer Erickson
Everett Redeen
Fred Boyd

(No min. for 2, 6)

*Neither*1963R. J. Borer
Clarence Melle
Omer Erickson
Everett Redeen
Fred Boyd

(No min. for 2, 4, 7-10)

1964R. J. Borer
Clarence Melle
Omer Erickson
Everett Redeen
George Delmeire(No min. for 2, 3, 6-8,
10-12)1965

(No min. for 5, 8, 10-12)

*May
Aug
Oct
Dec*1966Bill Switzer
Harlin Steiger
Omer Erickson
Everett Redeen
George Delmeire(No min. for 2, 4, 6,
8-10, 12)1967Bill Switzer
Harlin Steiger
Omer Erickson
Everett Redeen
Kent Montgomery

(No min. for 2, 5, 6)

1968Joe Nansel
Harlin Steiger
Omer Erickson
Everett Redeen
Kent Montgomery

(No min. for 12)

Rosebud County CD Cont.

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1969

No changes

(No min. for 5, 7, 8)

1970

No changes

(No min. for 5, 7, 8, 11)

1971

No changes

(No min. for 3,6-8, 10-12)

1972

No changes

(No min. for 4, 9, 10)

1973

No changes

(No min. for 2, 4, 6, 8-11)

1974

No changes

(No min. for 4, 7, 8, 10, 11)

1975

Joe Nansel
Dennis Kenney
Omer Erickson
Everett Redeen
Kent Montgomery

April
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August 27, 1975

Members present were: Everett Redeen, Treasurer, Joe Nansel, Chairman, & Dennis Kenne y.

Others present were: Roy Houser, SCS, and Debi DeCock, Secretary.

Meeting was called to order at 8:40 p.m. by Chairman Joe Nansel. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

1. It was moved by Dennis and seconded by Joe to approve the following claims:

a) Donna Mitzkus, Secretarial Assistance	\$27.50
b) Dave Lind, Salary	\$417.00
Social Security	\$39.28
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State Board of Equalization	\$3.70
c) Debi DeCock, Salary	\$120.40
d) Beech Warner, Prize Money (RPID contest)	\$21.00
e) Douglas Fenner, Salary	\$99.13

2. Roy presented two requests for cooperative agreements, one from Aaron Lachenmier and one from Patricia Mortensen. Both were approved and signed by Everett.
3. The Area 4 District meeting will be held in Hysham, October 6. The State meeting will be held November 3,4, & 5 in Billings.
4. Discussed Water Reservations. Two letters on this were read, one from Thomas A. Weir, one from Ole Ueland. A letter has been sent to Ole for more information. Copies of a letter to Treasure County Land Owners and Lessees have been sent to Hysham Board members for their comments and/or revisals.
5. Doug Fenner from Baker has been hired and is training on CD salary. Motion was made by Everett and seconded by Dennis to "give him a good try".
6. Rip Rap Projects were briefly discussed. Roy stated that quite a few are done and several are pending. Permits from Corps of Eng., approval by Montana Fish & Game Dept., and Fish & Wildlife Service.

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7. The Tuesday Letter was discussed. It is definitely felt that each and everyone of us should get involved and become more aware. Dennis suggested putting an article in the paper following each CD meeting, in an effort to make people more aware of the CD and its efforts. Roy also suggested something on the order of a "Drive Yourself Tour", which might get people out and more aware of what's going on around them.
8. A motion was made by Everett and seconded by Dennis to purchase 100 bundles of lath.
9. Work is being done on revising the Long-Range District Plan. Roy showed members the various maps being used, etc.

There being no more business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:45 p.m.

Debi DeCock, Secretary

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October 29, 1975

Members present were: Joe Nansel, Chairman, Everett Redeen, Treasurer, Omer Erickson, V. Chairman, Kent Montgomery, and Dennis Kenney.

Others present were: Roy Houser, SCS, & Debi DeCock, Secretary.

Also: Al Elser and Janet Amestoy from Montana Department of Fish & Game, Miles City.

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 p.m. by Chairman Joe Nansel. The minutes were read and approved as read, from the last meeting.

Al Elser and Roy both offered their comments on SB 310. Al reported on the Fish & Game Department's side of it, and there followed a lengthy discussion among everyone present with Al offering information and any assistance that he could provide. Mr. Elser had to leave around 9:00, so the Board continued the discussion. A tentative date of December 9 was decided on for holding the public hearing. A first notice will be put in the paper on November 6 to inform the public of this hearing.

Roy presented a District Agreement from Margaret Porter for approval. It was read and approved by Kent.

Also presented was the financial statement from the Area IV meeting in Hysham. Our portion came to \$25.17, to cover three persons. It was moved by Kent and seconded by Everett to pay this. Roy requested an authorization to purchase some stamps. Everett moved to purchase 2 \$10.00 rolls. Motion was seconded and passed.

The Treasurer's report showed that we have a balance of \$101.66 as of October 19.

Joe read an advisory from Ole on Noxious Weed Control, entitled Proposal for State Weed Management Program. Ole wanted our opinions and recommendations by December 1. No definite action was taken at the time; will cover this at our November meeting.

A motion was made by Everett and seconded by Omer to continue sending an educational pamphlet to each 5th grade student in Rosebud County, as has been done in the past. This pamphlet is entitled Conservation Booklet, printed by the Soil Conservation Society of America. The motion passed.

Roy read a letter that he had recieved from the State Highway Department requesting our comments on the improving of the road from Lame Deer to Ashland. It was decided to send them a note recommending that they follow the existing route because it would be less expensive, probably the safest route, and will cause the least harm to natural resources.

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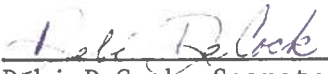
The State meeting was discussed briefly. The agenda was reviewed and it was decided that Tuesday would be about the best day to attend. Several of the members planned to attend at least one day of the meeting.

Roy gave a good report on the Soil Survey project. Nearly all of the area south of the Yellowstone should be completed by the end of the field season.

Roy asked for permission to carry Doug Fenner full-time on the District payroll for that portion of the year that SCS cannot carry him. This would be like we handled Dave Lind. In addition, this will save on paperwork, salary payments, etc. He will also earn sick leave, annual leave, and be entitled to holidays, which he cannot do under the present arrangement. This request was moved by Everett and seconded by Dennis. Motion carried.

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Dennis and seconded by Kent. The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.



Debi DeCock, Secretary

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November 20, 1975

Members present were: Joe Nansel, Chairman, Omer Erickson, Vice Chairman, & Dennis Kenney.

Others present were: Roy Houser, SCS, and Debi DeCock, SCS Secretary.

Also: Mr. Lee Jones, Resource Conservationist, Sidney, Reg Hoff, Extension Agent, Eldon Rice, County Planning Board, & Les Criswell, Gerald Ferguson, & Harold Hert, from Treasure CD.

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by Chairman Joe Nansel. Lee Jones opened the meeting with a review of SB #310. He went over the rules and explained the definitions for the Board members. A discussion followed, with Lee offering suggestions for the holding of our Public Hearing and how to prepare for it. Treasure CD Board member Les Criswell stated that they'll designate the Yellowstone River and use the minimum rules at this time.

Lee left for home, and the meeting resumed, with the minutes of the last meeting being read and approved as read.

Roy presented a letter and map from SCS at Bozeman on the proposed road improvement from Colstrip to Lame Deer. It was decided to recommend that they follow the old route, making it safer for travel, etc.

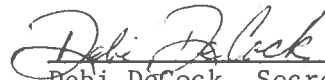
The following warrants were presented for approval. It was moved by Omer and seconded by Dennis to approve them.

Midland Lumber, Lath	\$418.50
Debi DeCock, Sept. Salary	\$236.50
Unemployment	\$ 10.28
State Comp.	\$ 15.41
Doug Fenner, Oct. Salary for one day	\$ 26.00
Debi DeCock, Oct. Salary	\$206.25
Social Security	\$ 12.06
Social Security	\$ 12.07
Soil Conservation Society of America (Pamphlets)	\$ 25.00

The last portion of the meeting consisted of the Board members deciding on the rules to be used, and organizing their set of rules, to be typed up and be on hand for the public.

It was moved by Omer and seconded by Dennis to adjourn the meeting at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.


Debi DeCock, Secretary

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December 10, 1975

HEARING ON RULES FOR SB #310

Those present were: Joe Nansel, Omer Erickson, Everett Redeen, Dennis Kenney Kent Montgomery, Harlin Steiger, and Roy Houser, acting secretary.

Chairman Joe Nansel called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. He read the portions of the law - Title, Policy, & Purpose. He also stated that the hearing is designed to take written or oral testimony, pro or con, on the proposed rules so the C.D. board can decide a final set of rules to start with on January 1, 1976, as the law calls for. It was also clarified that these are not final, but can be changed as necessary.

Before being opened to public, discussion, comment, or testimony, it was noted that since the "tentative" or "proposed" rules were printed, the board had decided to suggest the following changes, i.e.;

(Representatives of the N. Cheyenne Tribe and BIA (Kenneth Beartusk, Tribal Council Member, and Raymond Harris, Jr., filling in for BIA Land Operations Officer) asked the board to include Lame Deer Creek and that portion of Rosebud Creek on the Reservation and agreed that Otter Creek should be added to the list of streams.)

- A. 1. Change description of "Rosebud Creek" to include that portion of the Creek on the Northern Cheyenne Reservation from the Rosebud County line to the Reservation boundary. This had been left out initially.
2. Modify the wording of the definition of a "stream" to say: "Any natural perennial surface flowing stream" etc.
3. Add to the listing of streams, rivers, etc., the following:
- a) Rosebud Creek from its entry at the Rosebud County line in Section 30, 2S-41E, to its confluence with the Yellowstone River in Section 16, 6N-42E.
4. Add Lame Deer Creek, which is a tributary of the Rosebud and all on the Northern Cheyenne Reservation.
5. Add that portion of Otter Creek from its entry at the Rosebud County line in Section 13, 3S-44E, to its confluence with the Tongue River in the SW⁴ Section 2, 3S-44E.
6. In the application process under item 1(a), 3rd sentence - The notice may be either hand delivered to the CD office or presented personally to the board at its regular meeting, or mailed to the CD office, P.O. Box 416, Forsyth, Montana. This was done to advise applicants that they are welcome to meet with the board and discuss their project.

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7. Section 7, Arbitration. Will be spelled out in the final rules and the flow chart on the application process and emergency process will be shown as Exhibit #1.
 8. The wording in the first paragraph, Section 9, Projects, is changed to add the word surface between perennial and flowing, line 3, and to say "(Including the following list but not limited to same)".
 9. Add to the list of projects #7, Dikes and Levees.
 10. Under Section 10, Construction Standards :
 1. All projects shall be constructed in accordance with "U.S. Soil Conservation Service Practice Standards and Specifications for Conservation Practices Requiring Engineering Services in Montana" if available, consistent with the policy, purpose, and review procedures of these rules. If other engineering practices are deemed applicable in a particular situation they shall meet or exceed in quality, the Soil Conservation Service engineering standards. Designs prepared by private engineering firms or other agencies will be considered by the board and are subject to their approval.
 2. Any temporary crossing, bridge supports, cofferdams, or other structures that will be needed during the period of construction shall be designed to handle high flows that could be anticipated during the construction period. All structures shall be completely removed from the stream channel at the conclusion of construction, and the area shall be restored to a natural appearance.
 3. Care shall be taken to cause only the minimum necessary disturbance to the natural appearance of the area. Streambank vegetation shall be protected except where its removal is absolutely necessary for completion of the work. Any vegetation, debris, or other material removed during construction shall be disposed of at some location out of the stream channel where it cannot re-enter the channel during high stream flows. All new cut or fill slopes that will not be protected with some form of riprap shall be vegetated or otherwise protected to prevent erosion.
- B. Questions were asked in regard to definitions by Golder, Judy, and others.
1. Stream
 2. Historical & perennial
 3. Corps of Engineering authorities on Navigable streams

Answers were given as board understands them and legal dept. of DNRC sees them.

- C. Mr. Judy of the Tongue-Yellowstone APO at Broadus said that there may be a possibility for local units of government, i.e., Conservation Districts, to obtain a blanket clearance from the Corps of Engineers on normal and

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usual practices on streams in their jurisdiction. Requests will have to be in soon for favorable consideration.

Corps of Engineers are going to be requested by the courts to enlarge their authorities to tributaries of the Yellowstone River, such as the Powder River, Tongue River, Big Horn, Etc., by 7/1/76, and then 7/1/77 will pick up the tributaries of these, so will in effect regulate the entire river basin.

- D. Mr. Nick Golder made public statement regarding the work "adjacent" in Section 2, Policy. He wants a more specific definition and something that means "immediately adjacent".
- E. Mr. Golder also wishes the board to identify a historically flowing, perennial stream to be more specifically stated as surface flow, as opposed to underground aquifers which can be construed to mean deep aquifers which could only be used by wells & pumping, as opposed to surface diversions, surface pumps of flowing waters, etc. Change definition to read "surface flowing".
- F. Discussion was held briefly with Harstad, Larsen, and others regarding the law as it would pertain to emergency measures and necessities. Crossing streams to get to cattle, or fording cattle across streams to feed, etc.
- G. It was stated several times during the meeting that the people were glad that if the law has to be, they are glad the local Conservation Districts board can handle it rather than the State.
- H. BIA representative Raymond Harris, Jr., made a statement that the Northern Cheyenne Tribe is present-ly determining the feasibility of sprinkler irrigating on 750 acres from the Tongue River. This area lies between Logging Creek and upstream toward Birney Day School. Not firm yet. Tribe has 7500 A.F. right in the Tongue River reservoir.

Hearing adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Roy Houser, Acting Secretary

- (1) See attached list of persons attending the hearing. The Rosebud County Planning Board was in attendance until approximately 2:30, at which time they left to conduct their own regular meeting.

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>REPRESENTING</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
1. Roy Houser	SCS	Forsyth
2. Kenneth Beartusk	N.C. Tribe	Lame Deer
3. Raymond Harris, Jr.	BIA	Lame Deer
4. Otto L. Krueger	Self	Forsyth
5. Richard Hanna	Self	Forsyth
6. Arthur Hayes	Brown Cattle Co.	Birney
7. Nick Golder	Rancher	Forsyth
8. Chester Larsen	Rancher	Forsyth
9. John Harstad	Rancher	Forsyth
10. Harlin Steiger	Farmer	Forsyth
11. Howard Hadden	SCD	Hysham
12. Reg Hoff	County Agent	Forsyth
13. Clark Judy	Yellowstone-Tongue APO	Broadus
14. Cal Lumin	Rosebud Planning Board	Rosebud
15. Ernie Dassinger	State Legislator	Forsyth
16. Eldon Rice	Planning Board	Forsyth
17. Everett Redeen	Board Member (CD)	Forsyth
18. Omer Erickson	Board Member (CD)	Forsyth
19. Abner Farnum	Self	Hathaway
20. Al Elser	Mont. Dept. Fish & Game	Miles City
21. Joe Nansel	CD Chairman	Forsyth
22. Dennis Kenney	Board Member (CD)	Forsyth
23. Kent Montgomery	Board Member (CD)	Forsyth
24. Nolan Fandrich	Western Energy	Colstrip

TO: MIKE MOON
DNRC
ENERGY PLANNING DIV.
HELENA, MT.

January 7, 1975

Dear Mike:

I just located this original draft of our statement and thought I should send you a copy in case the one Kent gave you was misplaced.

The Rosebud County Soil and Water Conservation District Board is opposed to the construction of Colstrip Units 3 and 4 for the following reasons:

1. We believe that the consumptive use of 38 thousand acre feet per year of Yellowstone River water is incompatible with irrigation use and irrigation potential in the Yellowstone Valley.
2. We believe that the disruption of the ground water by strip mining 5,500 acres of surface land for coal is unacceptable.
3. We believe that since Colstrip Units 1 through 4 would produce a minimum of 253 tons of sulphur dioxide per day, 176 tons of nitrogen oxides per day, and 10 tons of particulate material per day in addition to unknown amounts of trace minerals this would have a damaging effect on agriculture, wildlife, and human health over a wide area.
4. We believe that a rural area, such as Rosebud County, is much less able to assimilate a large number of people for building plants 3 and 4 than a more highly populated area would be and that in an urban load-center location the required people would not cause such a dramatic relative demand upon social, educational, and health services, and that the adverse tax impact would be less.

Section 12:3:1 of the Draft Impact Statement says: "Unlike land which can produce crops and provide a living for many generations, a power plant has a rather short life. Likewise, the coal deposit, once mined, is depleted forever. The tax base and jobs provided by the Colstrip project would be transient. Continued taxes and jobs past the life of the plant would be dependent upon other industry situated in the area and agriculture."

Although long-term effects of the Colstrip project are difficult to evaluate, we must not allow the possibilities of technology and the promise of short-term benefits to lead us unwittingly in directions that may prove to be detrimental. The implications of such decisions must be well analyzed, and the choice we make for the future of our state must be with full realizations of the consequences.

We believe that the long-term impacts of Units 3 and 4 are awesome, and that since the precedent set by the decision on 3 and 4 will either be encouraging or discouraging to many other industries interested in building coal conversion plants in Montana, we, the Rosebud County Soil and Water Conservation District Board, must ask that the application for the Colstrip Units 3 and 4 be denied.

Presented at the DNRC Hearing,
Forsyth, Montana, 12-18-74

by Kent Montgomery, Board
Member

Sincerely,

ROY HOUSER
Acting Secretary