

ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

August 2, 2018

7:00 PM

USDA Service Center, 270 S. Prospect, Forsyth, MT 59327

Meeting called to order by Doug McRae @ 7:17 pm.

7:00 PM

Board Members Present:

Jason Brewer, Doug McRae, Dave Davenport, Alan Mereness and Don Youngbauer

Board Members Absent:

Bonnie Prince & Reg Hoff

Others Present:

Bobbi Vannattan, Heather Nenninger, Jeff Bird

Guests:

Tyler Larsen, 310 application on the Yellowstone

Treasurer's Report:

- Dave made a motion to approve the treasurer's report,
- Alan seconded the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

Meeting Minutes:

July 12, 2018 draft minutes in your packet.

- Alan made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting,
- Don seconded the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

Expense Vouchers:

Please let Bobbi know if you plan to attend a meeting or workshop our tour on behalf of the Conservation District.

Administrator Report: we just met, had the fair, working on grant applications, sandbox, Forest in Focus.

Admin assistant report: in your packet

Outreach & Education:

Jan Banks, Forsyth FFA Advisor is interested in a hoop house, already talking with NRCS. There was a community garden project started by two students in the city of Colstrip and if there is interest Melisa Ashley will work with the district and the city on the application

Meeting Schedule:

September 6, 2018

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Loans:

310- Permit Applications:

Tyler Larsen for Larsen Ranch for improvements and maintenance on the inlet that they use for their irrigation pump.

- Alan made a motion to approve the maintenance permit for Larsen Ranch on the inlet pump site along the Yellowstone River near Hathaway,
- Dave 2nd the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

Reserved Water:

New Business:

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Put agenda and upcoming events for board approval

Conservation District Shed:

Purchased a shed and will have it placed next to the existing shed when it is delivered so that it is easier to move things out of the old one.

Forestry Grants:

FIF projects are near completion and payments will start processing as soon as invoices are received.

Bobbi is working with Andy on the next round of the WUI Grant for \$300,000, applying for the maximum amount of funds for this first round.

AIS~ Aquatic Invasive Species:

Monica will update.

Augmented Reality Sandbox:

Ordering supplies and working with other cds on the projects

Soil Health Initiative:

No-Till Drill:

Put the drill out to the district who were interested in down payment of \$15k and 2 yearly payments. Will open to the public if no cd takes the drill.

- Dave made a motion to offer the drill for sale for \$40k to interested buyers,
- Don second the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

Newsletter:

August 20th deadline for article

NRCS: Kathy Knobloch~

Jeff Bird acting for Kathy:

Right now Kathy Knobloch is acting, not sure if she will be done or they will ask her to do another 120 days. Right now it is not a priority to fill Rocky's position.

YRCDC: Don Youngbauer:

Taylor Brown- Rostad are now looking at ideas for projects that will put the last 15 year study to use.

Upcoming Events:

~Supervisor Summit- Helena August 30-31st- information in your packet-Dave Davenport is not attending

~Monica regularly updates the Calendar and list of events on the cd website~

Range Committee: Dave Davenport

CBMPA:

Employee Reviews:

Tabled from June meeting, paperwork your June packet.

Next meeting Agenda:

Finish reviews.

Move time book to record time.

Dues letter,

D. Pratt open houses on the 19th in Forsyth

Open Mike Board Members:

Public Comments:

ADJOURN: 10:02pm

9 pm: