

ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING DRAFT MINUTES

September 5, 2019

7:00 PM

USDA Service Center, 270 Prospect, Forsyth, MT 59327

Meeting called to order by Doug @7:04 pm.

7:00 PM

Board Members Present:

Doug McRae, Alan Mereness, Rocky Schwagler, Don Youngbauer

Board Members Absent:

Jason Brewer, Dave Davenport

Others Present:

Monica Boyer, Bobbi Vannattan, Heather Nenninger, Terry Bunt

Guests:

Terry Bunt-Northern Plains Resource Council- proposal on baseline water testing before oil and gas development.

- Don made a motion to send a letter of support for baseline monitoring before wells are drilled,
- Alan seconded the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:

In your packet

- Alan made a motion to approve the treasure report,
- Rocky 2nd the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

Meeting Minutes:

August 8, 2019 draft minutes in your packet.

- Rocky made a motion to approve the minutes,
- Alan seconded the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

Expense Vouchers: keep me updated on any travel you do for the district

Administrator Report: in Packet

Admin assistant report: in packet

Outreach & Education:

Meeting Schedule:

October 3, 2019 @ 7pm

Loans:

310- Permit Applications:

Jay Nance-stabilization on Tongue River using a large tree and site fill.

- Alan made a motion to approve the project as proposed,
- Don seconded the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

AIS~ Aquatic Invasive Species:

Monica will update.

Created postcards that will go out to 500 municipalities and stakeholders. And will end out to the Newsletter mailing list for Rosebud and Treasure Counties.

Soil Health Initiative:

No-Till Drill: Information on a Donahue trailer is in your packets.

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Not the answer, difficult and cheap. Cause more issues than would resolve.

Trackfiller: Alan & Jason

Newsletter:

New Business-

State Soil Health Plan Resolution:

MACD has agreed to allow us to send in a draft resolution regarding a state soil health plan. The board will have to vote to approve and move forward on this resolution. A draft will be available at the meeting.

Heather is going to do more research and we will work towards a resolution next fiscal year and have it ready for the next legislative season.

MACD: Don Youngbauer- MACD has requested that we share with you, correspondence, minutes and dues proposal. All included in your packet.

Moving forward some!

NRCS: Danny Pratt~

Obligated 1.2 Million; 8 2019 EQIP; CSP, GSI Jeff took 4, 92K, 3 General CSP-500K end of the next week. TIPS are separate; SGI 2. Beginning Farm Ranch by December 20, 2019.

YRCDC: Don Youngbauer:

Wildlife Ramps & Forsyth FFA: Jan will get back to me next week on how much the district owes for the supplies and she still has to make the surplus ramps for the office, and we have producers in Rosebud and Treasure County who will need some for their NRCS programs. Danny and Danae will get Bobbi an estimate

Sage Grouse Fence Markers:

We will have producers who need markers and Bobbi has put out an eastern Montana email to all cds who will also need markers in the near future. Instead of ordering through the same vendor, there is a company in Billings who makes them without the minimum order and it benefits the program set up for adults with disabilities. Thoughts?

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Upcoming Events:

Montana Range Tour in Harlowton September 4 & 5- let me know asap if anyone wants to attend.

Area IV Meeting in Hardin on Sept. 16, 2019. Rocky, Dave, Dennis, Monica, Heather

MACD Convention in Kalispell on November 19-21st. Don

Range Committee: Dave Davenport

CBMPA:

Annual Plan:

Open Mike Board Members:

Public Comments:

Next Meeting:

MOA & Statement of Work between Districts and NRCS: templates of both in your packet. These will be updated for all cds by the end of December 2019

ADJOURN: