

ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT

FORSYTH, MONTANA 59327

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 20, 1993 REGULAR MEETING

Members Present: Dennis Kenney, Robert Heinle, Bob Nansel, Jack Knobloch, Tom Wimer, Keith Loc and Associate Members, Caprice Gregory and Duane Martens.

Others Present: Rocky Schwagler, DC; Duane Claypool, Irr. Specialist, DNRC, Miles City; Dave Jewell, Area Engineer; Gary Schaff, Extension Agent; Jeanne LaBree, Sec-Treas

Not Present: Layton Salsbery.

The meeting was brought to order at 2:00 p.m. in the USDA conference Room. Minutes of the 12/3 and 12/23 meeting were approved as written. Next meeting is scheduled for February 24, at 2:00

FINANCIAL STATEMENT			COUNTY	DISTRICT	CRP	LOAN ACC'T.	P.C.
Balances brought forward:			\$38691.70	1228.69	1259.81	313204.71	85.4
3065	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P. 25	768.80				
3066	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 25	877.60				
3067	IRS (WH \$229.94)	M.Benefits	125.94				
3068	U.S.Post Office	1 roll stamps/100 cards	48.00				
3069	Matt KURkowski	Wages/P.P. 26	768.80				
3070	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 26	877.60				
3071	State Fund	Workmen's Comp	136.58				
3072	Unemployment Ins.	4th Quarter	74.91				
3073	State Treasurer	(WH=392.23)Payroll tax	32.27				
794	Layton Salsbery	FSA Plan Reviews			15.00		
795	Bob Nansel	FSA Plan Reviews			15.00		
796	Dennis Kenney	FSA Plan Reviews			15.00		
	Loan Account	Correction(Misread interest)				8.00	
P.C.	Jack's IGA	REgular Meeting Expense					7.9
P.C.	Jack's IGA	Range Committee Mtg.					3.7
TOTAL EXPENSES:			\$3710.50	-0-	45.00	8.00	11.7
INCOME DURING MONTH:							
LOAN ACCOUNT		Payment/Daniels				500.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT		Payment/Nile				2230.00	
TOTAL INCOME:			-0-	-0-	-0-	2730.00	-0-
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD:			\$34981.20	\$1228.69	1214.81	\$315926.71	\$73.7

Jack Knobloch made a motion to approve the financial statement. Robert seconded and motion carried.

RESERVED WATER: Duane Claypool updated the board on the reserved water within both the lower and upper Yellowstone basins. Also discussed was an "Addendum to Notice of Completion of Authorization to change" Form 618. The addendum states it is the responsibility of the "user" to provide correct and complete information to the CD, and to hold the CD harmless from any and all claims, demands, or actions arising from the use of reserved water granted to the water user by the CD. The board suggested the form include a signature line and be signed by the water user. Duane also passed out an organizational flow chart, reminding the board that the conservation district Bureau is there to assist the districts. A draft bill summary "allowing the change of previously appropriated water to and from instream uses; integrating instream use water rights into Montana prior appropriation system.." was reviewed as well as an article on an agricultural to industrial water rights swap in Wyoming. The Yellowstone Basin Conservation Districts Reserved Water Council and Will Clark's letter stating Yellowstone CD's actions on those issues, were discussed. Bob Nansel asked Duane if water can be sold or transferred away from the land and Duane said "yes". Dennis Kenney asked Duane what the procedure would be to eliminate the "Water User's Annual Status Report" if the district wished to after a period of time/verification of its use. Duane said, after drawing up the policy, send it to the Board of Natural Resources for their approval. When approval has been received, add the change to the General Plan.

RESERVED WATER: After the discussion on Water User's Annual Reports, Robert Heinle made a motion to start the procedure for terminating the "Water Users' Annual Status Reports" after three years. Bob Nansel seconded and motion carried.

The board addressed the three issues that will be discussed at the next Yellowstone Basin CD Water Reservation Council meeting which will be held in Forsyth: (1) Should a person holding a water authorization under the CD water reservation be able to have that authorization transferred to a provisional permit in his/her name? The board, at the 11/28 meeting, voted no and did not wish to change their vote. If a majority of the districts in the Yellowstone Basin Water Reservation Council, vote for the transfer, Rosebud CD supervisors feel the wording should be to "allow the conversion of water authorizations to provisional permits" rather than "require....". (2) Can or should CD water reservations be allocated to small acreages such as rural residences, ranchettes, etc., for domestic, small pasture, lawn and garden use, or to other rural uses outside of irrigation? Rosebud CD supervisors feel that changing the use from agriculture could jeopardize the remaining reserved water. The supervisors did define agricultural use as "the growing of an agricultural product for commercial use" at a meeting in April of 1991, but did not limit the amount of acres that could be involved. (3) To what extent can and should each CD be involved in the verification of Reserved Water projects. The board agreed that they must be involved but did not state to what extent.

Art & Dorothy Gregory: Art requested that his water authorization be terminated. Art was granted 4 acre feet of reserved water to irrigate a one and a half acre "truck" garden. Art now plans to get the water, needed to irrigate, from the City of Forsyth in exchange for allowing them to pipe through his land. Tom made a motion to terminate the authorization. Keith seconded, and motion carried.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT: Jeanne informed Frank Mastandrea of the district's willingness to co-sponsor, up to \$500, a video on conservation districts. Frank said that one or two other districts, along with Yellowstone CD and Rosebud CD, may co-sponsor. He will send a bill to the district when he finds out what the final cost is.

COOPERATOR'S AGREEMENT: John Hart requests a cooperator's agreement on approximately 5200 acres. Jack made a motion to approve the agreement, Robert Heinle seconded and motion carried. Tammy has been working on a Conservation Plan for the place and Rocky asked the board to review and sign the plan, if they approved.

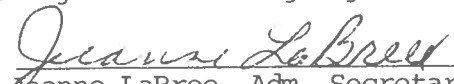
WATER QUALITY WORKSHOP/GRAZING SEMINAR: Tom Wimer, Layton Salsbery, Jack Knobloch, and Bob Nansel attended the meetings. Mileages, rooms, and meals were reported to Jeanne. She will submit the bill to Yellowstone CD who is in charge of the Area IV Water Quality Workshop grant. Those attending reported that the State Enforcement Agent, Kevin Keenan, says agricultural entities, violating the Clean Water Act will be charged with point source pollution. "Talk" was that agriculture would have 20 years to comply, but Mr. Keenan said it would be more like five years. Jack and Layton signed up for a Water Quality Workshop in this area so that local farmers and ranchers will be aware of what's happening.

WATER MONITORING PROJECT: An invoice was received from the Montana Bureau of Mines & Geology for expenses incurred from 10/01/92 through 12/31/92 in the amount of \$18,540.46. Jack made a motion to approve the expenditures and submit the invoice to the Coal Board for payment. Robert Heinle seconded and motion carried.

- COAL BOARD:** It was noted that legislators are trying to either disband the Coal Board or to limit the eligibility of grants, desallowing "old" impact areas to receive funds. Gary Schaff said there would be a meeting, on Friday, to discuss this issue. The board felt that continued groundwater quality and quantity monitoring is important and Jack made a motion that Jeanne send a letter on behalf of continuing funds for this project. Robert seconded and motion carried.
- MONTANA RANGE DAYS:** Bob Nansel updated the board on the MRD steering meeting he attended in Billings. Tammy and Randy Violet also attended. Rocky was asked what assistance the district and range committee could expect from SCS as they felt a lot of assistance was needed to make Montana Range Days a success. Rocky said he had already talked with Tammy about helping. Jeanne asked the supervisors if they would be able to help during MRD and if they thought Matt should assist. No one made a commitment but felt Matt could be scheduled to assist. The amount of money the district would donate to Montana Range Days was discussed but it was decided to wait until the sponsorship drive indicated how much is needed. Money would be available from the Supervisor's budget as no one will be attending the national meeting.
- SCS REPORT:** Rocky informed the board that Matt and Stew are working on the Contractor's meeting and it is scheduled for February 24th in the Library Basement. Rocky has spent quite some time in Hysham helping assess their programs and what the county will lose if the Hysham office should be forced to close. Treasure Cid is writing letters to legislators, etc., urging support for the office. Rocky is also working on the SCS goals and Annual Plan of Operations but needs the district's Annual Plan before finalizing the SCS plan.
- ANNUAL BANQUET:** Hysham High School - February 7th - 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$10/person and Hysham Hills Supper Club will be catering the dinner. Gwen Peterson, rancher's wife/humorist, is the entertainment. Jeanne asked the supervisors if they would let her know, by February 3rd, if they could not attend. Invitations will be sent to representatives of the cooperating agencies and Jeanne is to randomly select 5 additional couples to attend.
- ANNUAL PLAN:** A draft annual plan was reviewed and a few changes made. Dennis Kenney will meet with Jeanne to finalize the plan and have it ready to present for approval at the February 24th meeting.
- MACD:** The district received a list of the new officers, directors, etc. Also received the "dues" bill in the amount of \$12,019.00. However, the board budgeted \$400 to MACD and \$25 to Plant Materials Center and will have to remit that amount. Changes in the 1993 speech contest were received and include; length of speech changed from 8 to 10 minutes, and judging simplified. The 1993 speech theme is "Dewatering our Rivers and Streams".
- RC&D:** Newsletter from RC&D was received, with list of workshops, etc.
- ELECTION OF OFFICERS:** Dennis opened the floor to nominations. Keith nominated Dennis for Chairperson. Robert moved that nominations cease. The motion was seconded and carried. Keith nominated Robert Heinle for Vice-Chairman. Robert nominated Bob Nansel (who refused to take the position). Jack moved that nominations cease. The motion was seconded and carried. Keith made a motion to appoint Jeanne as Secretary-Treasurer. Jack seconded the motion, and motion carried. Dennis Kenney, Chairperson, Robert Heinle, Vice-Chairperson, Jeanne LaBree, Secretary-Treasurer are 1993 officers.

There being no further business, Dennis made a motion to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.


Dennis E. Kenney, Chairman


Jeanne LaBree, Adm. Secretary-Treasurer

ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD FEBRUARY 24, 1993

Members Present: Dennis Kenney, Robert Heinle, Tom Wimer, and Bob Nansel.
 Not Present: Jack Knobloch, Keith Lockie, Layton Salsbery, excused.
 Others Present: Dallas Johannsen, Acting AC, Miles City; Rocky Schwagler, DC, Jeanne LaBree
 Administrative Secretary-Treasurer.

The meeting was brought to order by Chairman Dennis Kenney, at 3:30 p.m. Minutes of the January 20, 1993, meeting were approved as written. The next regular meeting is scheduled for March 2 at 7:00 p.m., in the USDA conference room.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT			COUNTY	DISTRICT	CRP	LOAN ACC'T	P.
BALANCES BROUGHT FORWARD:			\$34,981.20	\$1,228.69	\$1,214.81	\$315,926.71	\$73
3074	US West	Phone Service	54.51				
3075	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P. 01 (Net \$694.33)	768.80				
3076	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 01 (Net \$665.51)	877.60				
3077	U.S. Post Office	Permit \$75/1300 mail newsletter	215.24				
3078	IRS	(W.H.=459.90) Matching Benefits	251.90				
3079	M A C D	Dues (PMC \$25)	4025.00				
3080	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P. 02	768.80				
3081	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 02	877.60				
3082	US Post Office	Mail 463 Range Day letters	45.32				
3083	Rails Inn	Yellowstone Basin Council Mtg. Exp.	12.00				
3084	MT College of Mines	H2O Water Monitoring Project	18,540.66				
3085	U S Post Office	1 roll stamps @.29/20 @ .23	33.60				
3086	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/ P.P. 03	768.80				
3087	State Treasurer	Tree Order/Cons.Day, Arbor,etc.	111.25				
3088	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 03	877.60				
3089	IRS	Matching Benefits	251.90				
85	Tom Wimer	Loan/Well				700.00	
P.C.	Jack's IGA	Meeting Expenses					8
P.C.	Library	Rental/Contractor's Workshop					10
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$28,480.58	0-	-0-	700.00	18
INCOME DURING MONTH:							
COUNTY BUDGET	Coal Board/Monitoring		18,540.66				
CRP ACCOUNT	CRP Signup Payment				282.24		
LOAN ACCOUNT	Loan Closing/Wimer					21.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT	Loan Payments/Wimer					830.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT	Loan Payment/Kanta					1,000.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT	Interest/Nov & Dec					2,551.64	
PETTY CASH	L.O. Map/Kanta						6
TOTAL INCOME:			\$18,540.66	-0-	-0-	\$4,402.64	6
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD:			\$25,041.28	\$1,228.69	\$1,497.05	\$319,629.35	\$61

Robert Heinle made a motion to accept the financial statement. Tom seconded and motion carried.

WATER QUALITY WORKSHOP: As yet, the district has not been reimbursed for expenses of those attending the workshop in Billings. According to bills turned in, and mileage, Jack has \$79.60 coming, Tom Wimer, \$152.43, and Bob Nansel, 52.3. As yet, Layton has not turned in any bills but should get \$56.00 in mileage.

DALLAS JOHANNSEN, Acting AC, discussed the possible restructure of SCS offices whereby there would be less people at the area and state level but also the field level even though there will be "proportionately" more. He asked the district supervisors how they felt about combining districts in the event that SCS field offices are combined. The supervisors did not think this was in the best interest of local conservation concerns and will make their feelings known to MACD and DNRC.

DALLAS JOHANNSEN: Dallas asked the board if they would like to join with other conservation districts to host water quality workshops that would inform producers of point/non-point source pollution as it relates to feedlots and confinements of livestock. Robert made a motion to hold such a workshop. Bob seconded and motion carried. A question of WQ grant funds was discussed and Jeanne asked what costs would be incurred. Speakers would be from SCS and DNRC so should not cost the districts anything. Dallas thought the major cost would be the brochures that would be sent out.

RESERVED WATER COUNCIL REPORT: Robert Heinle, Dennis Kenney, and Jeanne LaBree attended the meeting which was set up at the Rails Inn on February 10th. A motion to NOT TRANSFER district water authorizations to provisional permits was passed. The allocation of district water to ranchettes, etc., was tabled. Districts participation in verification of water authorization projects was approved but not to the extent of participation. The Rosebud CD's proposal that Annual Water Users' Status Reports be eliminated after verification and two or three years of satisfactory reports will be taken to each district board. Jeanne is to send a "statement" to LaVerne Ivie so she can send it out to each district. The districts were asked to review and discuss definition/purpose of use of water authorizations and it was suggested that Park County CD's purpose of use "The following are not considered to be agricultural irrigation uses: lawn, garden, ornamental acres, orchard, or greenhouses. This does not include irrigation of: pastures, products sold commercially, or cropped forage used as fodder." The supervisors felt that this should be up to the individual district. The council also decided to petition for indefinite terms on CD reserved water.

VIDEO on CD's: The video "The Land" that Rosebud CD helped sponsor was shown. A bill for \$400 was received for the video. The board was disappointed in the video as it was not what they expected....they felt it was going to make people more aware of districts.

ANNUAL BANQUET: Forty people attended from Rosebud County. As yet we have not received a bill from Treasure CD but it will be \$10 per person and include some of Gwen Petersen's expense.

LEGISLATION: HB350 - This bill would eliminate the groundwater quantity and quality monitoring grant. Jeanne attended the meeting at the High School, concerning legislation to exclude "old" impact areas from further coal board grants and a statement of need was sent with Commissioner Don Bailey to be read at the committee hearing. The bill has passed the House and is in the Senate Taxation Committee. The board asked Jeanne to write letters on behalf of the monitoring program.

SB310: This bill is to allow the consideration of late filing of 1973 and earlier water rights under the adjudication process. As it now stands, late filers such as Rosebud County Cemetery, City of Forsyth, and several ranchers are out of luck. Duane Martens first brought this to Jeanne's attention and she followed through by contacting the attorneys that were helping draft this legislation. Jan Rehberg sent the list of Rosebud County "late" filers. Because the adjudication process is not completed, and some people purchased ranches that the previous owner did not file water rights, Jeanne wrote, personally, on behalf of the bill. The bill has passed the Senate 48 to 6.

HB588: Sharon, from MACD, called on this. It is a bill to allow districts to increase their 1.5 mill levy to bring in \$20,000. This would be done through a local referendum so Jeanne did write on behalf of those districts that do not receive enough funds to operate adequately. The bill is now in the taxation committee.

MACD informed the districts that Senator Nathe is drafting a bill to provide individual immunity for district supervisors acting in their official capacity.

Announcements: Subcommittees on natural resources has allowed the DNRC another

GROUNDWATER MONITORING: The Bureau of Mines & Geology sent a copy of the report they plan to submit at the 1993 Billings Reclamation Symposium. The title is "Unexpected impacts to unmined aquifers near coal mines". It states that water quantity, in general, recovers to pre-mining conditions BUT water quality degradation appears to be a persistent problem in the aftermath of large-scale strip mining, and the duration of this problem has yet to be clearly identified.

NO-TILL DRILL: Layton Salsbery asked, at a December meeting, if the district would sell the no-till drill and for what amount. Jeanne talked to Lori Zellar, DNRC, and they would like to see the district trade the no-till drill for another piece of equipment. Laurie also wondered if the district would like to transfer it to another district. Jeanne checked with Yellowstone Farm Equipment in Billings for a "price" on the no-till drill and was told they figured about 50% to 65% of cost, depending on the shape it was in, etc. The representative said they were very expensive new and there is not much demand for them in the state. He also said he would consider trading a grain/grass drill for it and would come out and look at it if we wished. Robert Heinle thought Horizon Implement and other dealers in Miles City should be contacted and the board asked Tom to do this as the board is still interested in getting a grass drill. Chris had mentioned a district that had one for sale and Rocky was asked to call him and find out which district.

MONTANA RANGE DAYS: The next Rosebud County Range Committee is scheduled for March 3rd in the USDA Conference Room in Forsyth at 7:00 p.m. Right now, the big push is for sponsorships and letters have been sent out through the district's nonprofit bulk permit.

DEPT. OF STATE LANDS PERMITS: Robert Heinle reported that the State Lands sent him a letter and several permits which he was to fill out and return, with money. There would be no refund if the permit application was not approved. Dwayne Andrews, DSL, Miles City, said the permits and/or licenses were in the law but he felt one of the permits was not intended for this type of work. Ken Chrest, FW&P in Helena, called Jeanne and discussed the project. The Corps was waiting to hear from him and he couldn't contact Phil Stewart at Miles City. Jeanne explained that the concrete was not just random pieces of concrete but were slabs 4'x4'x1' and he said he would not hold up the project.

TREES: Trees were ordered through the extension service for Conservation Day and Arbor Day as well as the newly forming Lane Deer 4H club. The last was a request from Terry Johnson, SCS Soil Conservationist, in Lane Deer.

ANNUAL PLAN: The board reviewed the final draft of the Annual Plan. It was decided to add the review of the ASCS memorandum of understanding with the district. With this change, Tom made a motion to approve the annual plan. Bob Nansel seconded and motion carried.

SURVEY REQUEST: Matt was asked to survey a piece of ground that is part of a law suit. After discussing the possibility of being involved in a court action and the fact that Matt does not have a professional surveyor's license, Tom made a motion that Matt does not do the survey. Bob seconded and motion carried.

404 PERMIT: The board received a copy of a letter to LeRoy Mickells stating that a Corps permit was not necessary as placing fill material in Slaughterhouse Creek fell under a nationwide permit. The Rosebud Conservation District does not list Slaughterhouse Creek as a "310" stream.

WATER QUALITY: SCS received a copy of a letter Lonnie Quinlan sent to the WQ Bureau concerning the red color of the water in Armells Creek by Joe Quinlan's place. DHES thought it was from a bloom of red pigmented algae, which is found in very nutrient rich waters, or a red pigmented copepoda.

GREATER YELLOWSTONE CD'S are changing their name to CD's of the Yellowstone and are soliciting more conservation districts to join. They will now be charging dues and Rosebud CD would fall in the \$1300 due category. After some discussion about the purpose of the organization, the districts and states currently involved, and the amount of dues, Tom made a motion NOT to join. Robert seconded and motion carried.

MACD: Mike Volesky, from Dickinson, ND, is now the Executive Vice President of MACD. As a youth, he worked on farms and ranches and also the experiment station. He graduated from Montana State in 1991, majoring in Political Science/Pre law. He was a legislative intern in Helena in 1991.

Information and updates on various bills of interest to the districts were sent Mike Volesky and Steve Meyer, Area 3 Director and MACD legislative Committee

RANGELAND RESOURCE PROGRAM: Applications and information on the rangeland loan program was received.

RC&D: Minutes of the RC&D meeting held on January 26th. Constitution and By-Laws were included and a notice of the Micro-business Marketing Alliance Board meeting, Eastern Plains RC&D board meeting (speaker Conrad Burns) being held during the Glendive Agri-Trade Exposition on February 25-27.

SCS REPORT: Rocky reported on the Contractor's Workshop he attended at the Library earlier in the day. He also mentioned the water quality workshop and wondered if the district was planning to have one and/or a range monitoring workshop. Mike Odegard stopped by the meeting to ask the board how they felt about purchasing legume inoculant to sell to the producers. He mentioned that feed stores, etc. selling the inoculant do not take care of it properly as it has a limited shelf life. The board asked Mike to check into costs, etc., and they would consider buying some. Also we would hold workshops so the producers know more about the inoculant and how to use it.

AG IN MT SCHOOLS: The annual meeting will be held in Bozeman on March 11-13.

CONSERVATION NOTES: Received from Conservation District Bureau. It was noted that mileage reimbursement increased to 28¢/mile as of January 1.

There being no further business, Dennis moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m.


Dennis E. Kenney, Chairman


Jeanne LaBree, Adm. Secretary-Treasurer

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD MARCH 24, 1993

Members Present: Robert Heinle, Bob Nansel, Layton Salsbery, Keith Lockie, Tom Wimer, Jack Knobloch; Duane Martens and Caprice Gregory, Associate Supervisors.

Not Present: Dennis Kenney, excused.

Others Present: Charlie Bumgardner, West Plains Implement Sales Representative. Rocky Schwagler, District Conservationist, Jeanne LaBree, Sec-Treasurer.

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chairman, Robert Heinle, at 7:10 p.m. Minutes of the February 24th meeting were approved as written by a motion from Tom Wimer, and seconded by Bob Nansel. The next meeting is scheduled for April 28th at 7:00 p.m. in the USDA building.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:			COUNTY	DISTRICT	CRP	LOAN ACC'T.	P.C.
Balances brought forward:			\$25,041.28	1,228.69	\$1,497.05	\$319,629.35	\$61.00
3090	Tom Wimer	WQ Workshop Exp/Blgs	152.43				
3091	Bob Nansel	WQ Workshop Exp/Blgs	52.35				
3092	Riggs Camera	Boschee Farmstead Enlargements	9.60				
3093	Rosebud Co. Insur.	Surety Bond	100.00				
3094	Freeland Prod.	Video on Conservation	400.00				
3095	U.S. West	Phone Service	30.40				
3096	MACD	10 year pin/Lockie	10.00				
3097	Treasure Cd	Annual Banquet expenses	530.50				
3098	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P. 04 (\$694.33 Net)	768.80				
3099	Robert Heinle	YBCD Council Meeting/Forsyth	14.00				
3100	Kenneth Heinle	Newsletter Photo I.D. Contest	5.00				
3101	Soil & Water Soc.	Dues	49.00				
3102	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 04 (\$665.33 Net)	877.60				
3103	State Treasurer	Balance on trees	15.50				
3104	Universal Awards	Plaquet/Boschoo	37.20				
3105	Ag in MT Schools	Dues	100.00				
3106	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P. 0	768.80				
3107	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 05	877.60				
797	Jack's IGA	Contractor Workshop Expenses		15.56			
P.C.	Rosebud Co. Library	Rental/Contractor's Workshop					10.00
P.C.	UPS	Mailing SCS Display					9.90
P.C.	Jack's IGA	Regular Meeting Expense					7.90
TOTAL EXPENSES			4798.83	15.56	0	0	\$17.90

INCOME DURING MONTH:

COUNTY BUDGET:	Newsletter Ad/Pontius	10.00				
DISTRICT ACCOUNT:	L.O. Maps/Hartman, Jensen		12.00			
DISTRICT ACCOUNT:	Interest (6/92-2/92)		53.90			
PETTY CASH:	L.O. Map/Thompson					6.00
LOAN ACCOUNT:	Loan Payments: Ferguson, Payer				2180.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT:	Interest (January)				2800.42	
TOTAL INCOME		10.00	65.90	0	4980.42	6.00
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD:		\$20,252.40	\$1,279.03	\$1,497.05	\$324,609.77	\$49.10

Bob Nansel made a motion to approve the financial statement. Layton seconded and motion carried.

WATER QUALITY WORKSHOP/RANGE MONITORING: Jeanne wrote to Clayton Marlow, MSU Extension Service requesting assistance in coordinating a water quality workshop and a range monitoring workshop. Copies of the letter were sent to John Lacey, MSU, Dennis Phillipi, and Carrell Granbois, SCS. It was noted that the range monitoring would be scheduled in the southern part of Rosebud County.

LEGISLATION: Jeanne called and wrote letters to Representative McCaffree and Senator Weeding, urging their support for conservation district funding legislation, and asking them NOT to support HB350 which eliminates funding for the districts' coal board.

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grant for groundwater quality and quantity monitoring in the coal mining areas of Rosebud and Big Horn Counties. The bill passed the House, and Senator Weeding told Jeanne that he had added an amendment that allowed the monitoring project to be funded. McCaffree was called and he said he would support the bill with that amendment but had not supported HB350 before.

SUPERVISORS LIABILITY: It was established that supervisors are already immune. Duane Martens suggested that he check to see if the district could be covered under the county's errors and omission insurance.

SB310: This bill has been amended so that late water right filers would lose their original priority date. Not sure what the status of this bill is now.

DNRC: Scott Kaiser and Duane Claypool stopped by the office on their way to Treasure CD meeting. They said the state will be going through each bureau looking for places and people to cut so if the board feels that any of these services should stay intact, they should make their wishes known. The board asked Jeanne to write on behalf of the personnel in Miles City.

MONTANA RANGE DAYS: \$1845 has been collected but the committee is still short of what is needed. A letter was sent to Dallas Johannsen requesting 12 SCS personnel, with per diem, to serve as instructors. Jeanne mentioned that Swede Pfaffinger will be taking pictures of award winners at Montana Range Days and he suggested that he could make a slide presentation of the event too. The Rosebud County Range Committee voted to NOT have a slide presentation but Jeanne thought the supervisor might find it useful for Annual Banquets, Fair booth, etc. Jack made a motion to provide \$100 toward the slide presentation. Tom seconded and motion carried.

Y RANGE CAMP: Gargield CD is hosting this year's youth range camp in early June and asks neighboring districts to co-sponsor by providing finances, supplies, etc. Tom made a motion not to participate as district funds will be going to Montana Range Days. Layton seconded and motion carried.

NO-TILL DRILL: Harold Sorenson asked to rent the no-till drill. He also feels there will be more interest in such a drill as producers learn how difficult it may be to keep the required amount of residue on their fields to comply with FSA. Harold would like to rent it, annually, but would consider purchasing whatever other drill the district wanted and make a trade, or buy it directly from the district. Charlie Bumgardner, John Deere agent and Custer County CD Supervisor, attended the meeting to inform the district on prices of grass drills, etc. He would charge the district \$14,200, with no trade-in, for a grass drill, or \$10,000 with trade. This allows the district \$5,973 for their no-till drill. Any decision was tabled until more information on various drills could be reviewed.

LOAN PROGRAM: cash: \$324,609 APPROVED: \$70,000 COMMITTED: \$52,900 BALANCE TO LOAN: \$201,

LOAN REQUEST: Webster Ranch requests \$35,000 to install a stockwater pipeline, storage tank, and stock tanks. They offer 840 acres of rangeland, with road to it, valued at \$45/acre, and first mortgage. Sections offered and those benefited are in Big Horn County. Tom made a motion to NOT approve the loan application because it did not fall within the loan guidelines "Loan Program funds will be used to develop conservation practices and systems as part of a conservation plan on private land located within the boundaries of the Rosebud Conservation District. Layton seconded and motion carried.

GOODYEAR PROGRAM: The board reviewed the Evaluation Guide, and Keith made a motion to submit the application to Goodyear. Layton seconded and motion carried.

ANNUAL PLAN: The supervisors reviewed the Annual Plan and noted that April is designated to have a weed board coordinator or member attend a district meeting. Jeanne will send the invitation. Also it was noted that 6th Grade Conservation Day will be held in May and arrangements need to be started. Soil Stewardship Week is set for April 26 through May 3rd.

Budget balances: Salaries: \$11,134.02 M.Benefits: \$1,295.75 Cons. Ed: 305.83 Dues: \$550 Office Supplies: \$95.48 Fld Supplies: \$647.07 Security Bond: -0- Maintenance Agreements: \$450.00 Newsletter: \$542.89 Annual Report: \$100.00 Supervisor's Mtg. Expenses: \$3921.87 Reserved Water: \$15.85 Workshops: 542.22 (Reason workshops is more than budgeted is because Matt Kurkowskie didn't reimburse district advance until FY93) RC&D: \$299.62 Balance = \$20,252.40

4H/DISTRICT: MACD would like to see each district "sponsor" a youth leader to attend the 4H Natural Resources Leaders' Forum in Bozeman. There is a \$60 registration but the forum will be held in 4/15 in Bozeman...short notice. Tom made a motion to sponsor a youth to attend the forum. Bob seconded and motion carried. Jeanne will contact extension service for possible attendees.

WATER MEASUREMENT PROGRAM: Supervisors are asked to identify watercourses within their county that may be in danger of being dewatered. Reply is needed by 4/18. The program was initiated by the 91 legislature. Public information meetings will be held in the near future. Designating streams was tabled at this time.

SCS REPORT: Rocky informed the board that a USDA "restructuring" meeting is scheduled for April 6th in Miles City, and suggested that board members may want to attend. The Acting Chief will also be attending a meeting in Billings on May 5th. The board was asked if they wanted the District's name on the Lane Deer sign that SCS will be having made, and also requested a special meeting to review conservation plans. This meeting was scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on April 7th.

USDA/SCS REORGANIZATION: An NACD bulletin states that the president is calling for the elimination of 100,000 federal jobs...all departments and agencies with more than 100 employees are instructed to eliminate at least 4% over the next four years. Espy has issued a letter requesting that the state FAC committees report back with their implementation plans by April 19th. A survey on reorganization was enclosed but the supervisors decided not to complete and return it as the question were too ambiguous.

CONSERVATION PARTNERSHIP: This "partnership" agreement was signed by NACD, SCS, and NASCA, and outlines the guiding principles which describe a common vision for shaping the future of conservation policy in the U.S. Supervisors were asked if they would like copies of the agreement.

TONGUE RIVER DAM REPAIR & ENLARGEMENT BROCHURE was received. Copies will be sent to those supervisors wishing one. Those attending the compact meeting are on the mailing list.

MACD: Communication will soon be available through SCS computers to MACD office. MACD would like "names" and fax #s so important messages can be sent out immediately.

LETTER FROM ROY HOUSER: Roy Houser, past DC in Forsyth, sent a thanks for sending him the newsletter and mentioned that he wrote to Elmer and Ann Boschee congratulating them on being selected "Conservation Achievement Award" winners.

EMPLOYEES ORGANIZATION: Area IV clerks are planning to form an employees organization in Montana. We have asked for four hours during MACD meeting for a workshop or training. Steve Schmitz and Mike Volesky have been asked to attend the Clerk's meeting on May 13th to discuss these items. The board expressed concern about unionizing but Jeanne assured them this was not the intent.

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SPEECH CONTEST AWARD RULES: MACD received clarification from the Montana High School Assoc. which states that students would be in violation of the award rule and subject to penalty if they accept cash, or merchandise over \$20 in value. Therefore, district speech contestants as well as area contestants shall have to abide by these rules.

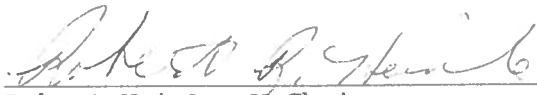
TAKING BACK GOVERNMENT: Dennis Kenney brought in an article from Agri-News telling about a county in Wyoming that developed their own water board to manage the county's wetlands. By doing that, they have the right under federal law to protect local custom and culture rather than allowing disruptions by federal mandates. The board asked Jeanne to write to Ruth Kaiser, National Federal Lands Conference, Box 847, Bountiful, UT 84011 to get more information on this.

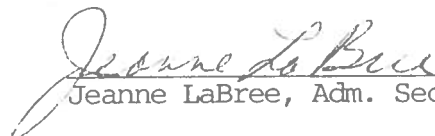
OFFICE CLOSURE: Diane Stephenson sent a copy of the criteria followed when their office was targeted for closure. Rank computations were based on (1) Administrative cost per client served. *Clients are based on 102's and 120's....which are only reported once even though clients are assisted many times. (2) # of Clients again are based on 102s and 120's and only the first time you work with them. (3) # of farms in county (4) Acres of farmland (5) # of highly erodible tracts (6) # of different practices, i.e., pipelines, pits, landleveling, etc. (7) # square miles in county (8) Co-location...consideration given for offices located with ASCS, FmHA or Extension Service, and (9) Clients/field office person

WEED BARRIER: A picture of a weed barrier fabric machine, with the companies name and address was received. Information will be placed in "product's binder".

10 YEAR: Keith Lockie was presented with a framed certificate and a Montana Silversmith pin to show the district's appreciation for the 10 years of service to the district.

There being no further business, Robert moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.


Robert Heinle, V.Chairman


Jeanne LaBree, Adm. Secretary-Treasurer

ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD APRIL 28, 1993

Members Present: Dennis Kenney, Robert Heinle, Keith Lockie, Bob Nansel, Layton Salsbery, Jack Knobloch. Caprice Gregory Associate Supervisors.
Others Present: Duane Claypool, DNRC-WDB, Harold Stepper, County Weed Control Coordinator, Tammy DeCock, SCS soil conservationist, Jeanne LaBree, Adm. Secretary.

The meeting was brought to order by Dennis Kenney, Chairman, at 7:00 p.m. Minutes of the March 24th meeting were approved as written. Next regular meeting is scheduled for May 26th at 7:00 p.m. 6th Grade Conservation Day is scheduled for May 4th.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:			COUNTY	DISTRICT	CRP	LOAN ACCT.	P.C
Balances brought forward:			\$20,252.40	\$1,279.03	1497.00	\$324,609.77	49.1
3108	IRS (\$711.90)	Matching Benefits	251.90				
3109	Jack Knobloch	Expenses/WQ Mtg/Billings	79.60				
3110	Layton Salsbery	Expenses/WQ Mtg/Billings	95.63				
3111	Yellowstone Phar.	Slide Development	4.49				
3112	Selby's ESSCO	Agreement/supplies	252.80				
3113	Quill	Secretary Chair/Supp.	145.89				
3114	Ind.Enterprise	Newsletters/supplies	298.97				
3115	U.S. West	Phone/service	75.13				
3116	U.S.Post Office	Stamps (100@.29, 10@.23)	31.30				
3117	Clark's Hardware	Demonstration materials	17.90				
3118	N A C D	Dues	550.00				
3119	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P. 06 (694.33)	768.80				
3120	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 06 (655.51)	877.60				
3121	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P. 07 (694.33)	768.80				
3122	Jeanne LaBree	wages/P.P. 07 (655.51)	877.60				
*3126	U.S. Post Office	Stamps/100@.29, 20@.23)	33.60				
3127	U.S. Post Office	Mailing MRD letters(201)	22.31				
3128	U.S. Post Office	Mailing MRD letters(214)	23.75				
P.C.	Jack's IGA	Regular MTg. Expense					5.9
TOTAL EXPENSES			5176.09	-0-	-0-	-0-	5.9
INCOME DURING MONTH:							
COUNTY BUDGET		WQ reimbursement	326.16				
DISTRICT ACCT		Flags/Nile, Thompson		10.00			
LOAN ACCOUNT		Payment/Payer, Shelton, Walter				2090.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT		Interest				1201.52	
PETTY CASH		L.O. Maps/Sharp, Cookman					12.0
TOTAL INCOME:			326.16	10.00	-0-	3291.52	12.0
Balances carried forward:			\$15,402.47	\$1,289.03	1497.05	\$327,901.29	\$55.1

*Warrant numbers 3126, 3127, 3128, is out of sequence as Jeanne inadvertently used the wrong warrant page. With this being noted, Layton made a motion to approve the financial statement Robert seconded and motion carried.

DUANE CLAYPOOL: Duane had three main items to discuss with the board. (1) Form 108 (new form) Addendum to Notice of Completion of Authorization to Change (Form 618). After Duane explained the form was meant to put the responsibility of providing correct and complete information on all reserved water use information on the reserved water and to hold harmless the CD from any claims, etc. arising from the use of reserved water granted to the water user by the CD, Jack made a motion to approve the addendum. Keith seconded and motion carried. Dennis

felt the water user should sign the form in the office so that the district could be assured that the water user understands what he is signing. Duane felt districts could have this option. (2) Administrative Rules addition to handle complaints concerning authorants use of water. The district may order a temporary halt to water use if the district determines that senior reserved water uses or senior water rights will be adversely affected due to water shortages. Bob made a motion to approve this addition to the administrative rules. Layton seconded and motion carried. (3) Ag irrigation definition. In order that all districts within the Yellowstone Basin use the same definition, Duane presented the following for the board to consider. "Agricultural Irrigation" means irrigation of pastures, products sold commercially, or cropped forage used as fodder. Robert made a motion to approve this definition. Jack seconded and motion carried. Duane reminded the board that Ed Watson and Hammond Irrigation District both needed to get their completion forms signed, notarized and in to the district. Dennis said he would visit with Ed Watson as Ed has not answered Jeanne's letters.

HAROLD STEPPER, County Weed Control Coordinator, showed the board a map delineating noxious weed infestations within the county. He explained that there is still a 50% cost share, up to \$5000/person, and that the county is eligible for weed grant funds if they budget \$100,000 or more for weed control. Rosebud County is joining surrounding counties in an effort to receive a grant for weed education activities. Harold would like land users to report any weed infestations they see, and would appreciate the board helping get this done.

WATER MONITORING PROJECT: Bureau of Mines & Geology submitted an invoice (\$16,193.01) for the period January 1, 1993 through 3/31/93. All expenses were budgeted in the grant. Robert made a motion to approve the expenditures and submit the invoice to the Coal Board. Layton seconded and motion carried.

FL 350: Received letter from Cecil Weeding saying he added an amendment to this bill allowing for the water monitoring funding to continue through Coal Board Fund (HB350 is a bill that virtually eliminated any coal board funds to Rosebud County). It looked like the bill was going to be enacted with the amendment but Jon Wheaton called Jeanne Friday evening before Easter saying someone had brought it out again and it looked like it was in trouble. He asked that we call Cecil to give him support in the amended bill. Jeanne did call Cecil at Jordan but had to leave a message. Not sure, at this time, what the status of the bill is.

310 APPLICATION: LeRoy Mickell submitted a 310 application for work he has been doing in Slaughterhouse Creek. The Corps of Engineers made an on-site and give LeRoy a letter of approval. Layton made a motion that the activity was NOT A PROJECT as Slaughterhouse is not a designated 310 stream. Bob seconded and motion carried.

LOAN PROGRAM: Neal Shelton requests a \$10,000 loan to install a mainline pipe and gated pipe. He has been approved for an LTA. Neal offers 160 acres of pasture/hayland which he values at \$300/acre, and 80 acres of irrigated cropland which he values at \$1000/acre. A first mortgage to Fergus County Credit Union for \$47,000 and a balance to the district of \$1440 makes a total of \$48,440 owed against the place. A second mortgage requires equity of one and a half times the loan request. The board disagreed with the value set on the land and reset the value at \$100/acre for pasture/hayland along the river, and \$500/acre for cropland. This amounts to \$56,000 with a debt of \$48,440, leaving an equity of \$7560.00. Keith made a motion to disapprove the loan unless the Fergus County Credit Union would subordinate their position to the district. Robert seconded and motion carried.

LOAN PROGRAM: Tim Cox called the office and informed Jeanne that he intends to pay off his loan as soon as he has finished his business with FrrHA.

Y BUDGET: Dennis Kenney talked to the commissioners about cost of living increased for the next fiscal year. He was told that there will be a 3% cost of living increase. It was decided to figure this increase in the draft budget.

SCS UPDATE: Tammy discussed the restructuring "plan" sent to field offices a few days earlier. She explained that the State Office and Area Office would be decreasing their personnel and increasing personnel at the field office level, according to the plan. Twelve to eighteen work groups would be formed, each serving 3-4 counties...one DC. She also mentioned that there are plans which need signing but no date for plan review was set. Cultural Resource Inventory was discussed. It seems a cultural resource inventory is needed whenever a conservation practice involves a structure, etc., over 50 years old. Dept. of State Lands recently asked the district technician to do a cultural survey on Robert Heinle's streambank stabilization project.

PICK SLOAN POWER: The district received a letter from the Montana Electric Cooperatives Ass'n which went into the "pitfalls" of pursuing further allocations of pick sloan power (Hammond and Haidle Irrigation Districts have been granted Pick Sloan power). Mike Volesky responded to that letter by listing some facts about Pick Sloan power, and stating that Montana is overdue to receive the benefits promised under the Pick Sloan plan. Districts need to urge MECA to work with Montana irrigators to obtain the promised benefits.

COAL BOARD GRANT REQUEST: Randy Violett submitted a pre-application for the district to review and sign and send on to the Coal Board for a grant to help with Montana Range Day. There may be a problem meeting the criteria of a coal board grant, but Layton made a motion to make some necessary changes to the proposal and submit the preapplication to the coal board. Bob seconded and motion carried. When the changes have been made, Dennis will be asked to come in and sign for the board.

SB 310: This bill concerns water users who didn't meet the water adjudications filing date. As it now stands, late filed claims fall to the bottom of the priority list regardless of their historic priority date.

NATIONAL FEDERAL LANDS CONFERENCE: At the last meeting, the board asked Jeanne to write this group to find out more about forming a "water board" so that decisions on wetlands, etc. could be made at local level. The answer was a brochure and a list of education material available.

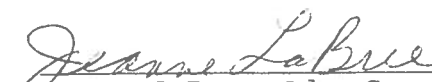
BLACK FOOTED FERRET: A corrected map, showing where black footed ferret reintroduction is planned was received.

MONTANA RANGE DAYS: Donations are going slow but awards, buttons, etc., have been ordered. SCS has approved per diem for personnel serving as instructors.

RESERVED WATER: Farm Credit Services indicate that reserved water use authorizations will be accepted as proof of water rights for FCS loans ... as long as the FCS name could be included on the authorization. (They also require this on provision permits.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.


Dennis E. Kenney, Chairman


Jeanne LaBree, Adm. Secretary-Treasurer

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD MAY 26, 1993

Members Present: Dennis Kenney, Robert Heinle, Jack Knobloch, Keith Lockie.
 Not Present: Layton Salsbery, Tom Wimer, Bob Nansel, excused.
 Others Present: Jeanne LaBree, Rocky Schwagler, District Conservationist.

Minutes of the April 28th meeting were approved as written, noting the correction on check #1 District Account, which was recorded as \$15.56 rather than \$15.96, in March minutes. The next meeting is scheduled for June 30th at 7:00 p.m. as the fourth Wednesday falls on the last day of Montana Range Days.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:

	COUNTY	DISTRICT	CRP	LOAN ACCT.	
Balances brought forward:	\$15402.47	\$1289.03	1497.05	\$327901.29	\$5
3129 State Treasurer Payroll Tax (WH=339.66)	27.66				
3130 Unemployment Fund Quarterly Tax	64.21				
3131 State Fund Workmen's Comp	123.26				
3123* Matt Kurkowski P.P. 08 Wages (694.33)	768.80				
3124* Jeanne LaBree P.P. 08 Wages (655.31)	877.60				
3125* IRS Matching Benefits (6,7,8)	377.85				
3132 U. S. West Phone Service/calls	114.20				
3133 N A C D Ribbons/Cons. Day (2 yrs)	46.24				
3134 Fair Board Fair Booth Rental	20.00				
3135 Env.Ed. Workshop 2 teachers Sponsorship	180.00				
Matt Kurkowski P.P. 09 Wages	768.80				
Jeanne LaBree P.P. 09 Wages	877.60				
3138 U.S.Post Office Stamps (Montana Range Days)	67.00				
798 Layton Salsbery FSA Review			15.00		
799 Jack's IGA pop, baggies/Cons. Day		58.72			
Correction (797) written for 15.96 (recorded as 15.56)		.40			
P.C. Jack's IGA Meeting Expense					
P.C. Jack's IGA Ice/cups/sacks/Cons Day					
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$4313.22	59.12	15.00	-0-	\$1

INCOME DURING MONTH;

DISTRICT ACCOUNT	L.O. Maps/NPRC, Doane	12.00			
DISTRICT ACCOUNT	Flags/Mereness	10.00			
DISTRICT ACCOUNT	Interest	7.72			
COUNTY BUDGET	Monitoring Project	16,193.01			
LOAN ACCOUNT	Payments/Shelton, Walter			1760.00	
PETTY CASH	L.O. MAP?Schmidt, Wolbauer				1
PETTY CASH	Flags/Kenney				
PETTY CASH	Money left in stamp drawer				
TOTAL INCOME:		\$16193.01	\$29.72	-0-	\$1760.00 18

BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD:	\$27282.26	\$1259.63	1482.05	\$328686.46	\$58
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Robert made a motion to accept the financial statement. Keith seconded and motion carried.

LOAN REQUEST/Neal Shelton: Neal resubmitted his loan application, adding 20 acres of irrigated land for collateral. This would be in mortgage, anyway, but Neal neglected to list the field. He offers 100 acres of irrigated land, valued by supervisors at \$500/acre, and 160 acres of irrigated pasture, valued by supervisors at \$100. There is \$47,000 owed to Farm Credit Service and \$1,440 to district on loan negotiated in May of 86. Robert made a motion to approve the loan application, pending necessary paperwork. Jack seconded and motion carried.

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LOAN PROGRAM: Bill & Gina Asay requested a partial release of 1.5 acres so they could obtain a loan to build a house. After calling all supervisors, and receiving their concurrence, the partial release was executed.

AC Cattle Company/Agri-Empire: The district received a notice and request to sign off on the mortgage that Agri-Empire assumed. The attorneys were told this was paid off (Agri owes \$14,000 on this note). After calling the attorney Brown & Huss, I was told that Agri-Empire would be sending a check for \$14,000 at the time they close the sale of their place.

LOAN SUMMARY: CASH: \$328,686 COMMITTED: \$52,900 APPROVED: \$70,000 BAL. AVAILABLE: \$2037

RESERVED WATER: Ed Watson - June Watson sent a letter saying they did not wish to renew their water right. A typewritten termination notice was sent to Ed and approval will wait until this is received from the Watson's.

NATIONAL FEDERAL LANDS CONFERENCE: Received some literature and a notice of a conference on June 11-12 at Templin's Resort in Post Falls, Idaho. (We wrote to the National Federal Lands Conference asking for information on a "land board") The conference will have attorney's, etc., presenting facts that is needed to defend "your" rights against the intrusion of federal and state land planning agencies.

YOUTH RANGE CAMP: We have one request for sponsorship to Montana Youth Range Camp. The registration is \$40. We have set aside sponsorships for five students to attend. The board decided not to give the remainder to sponsor students to attend Montana Range Days as there will be so many going from Rosebud County. Also, the district will be donating money directly to Montana Range Days.

GROUNDWATER MONITORING PROJECTS 0313 and 0348 were audited. There were no problems.

BUDGET REVIEW: A summary of the 1993 budget and expenditures as of May 25th were reviewed. The first figure is what was budgeted, second is what has been spent.....
Salaries/Benefits: \$46,640 - \$41,288.81 Conservation Education: \$1,300 - 41,250
Dues: \$4,774 - \$4,774 Office Supplies: \$1,200 - \$1,225.54 Field Supplies: \$71 - \$167.42 Security Bond: \$100 - \$100; Maintenance Agreements: \$450 - \$252.82
Newsletters: \$1,000 - \$756.08; Annual Report - \$100 - \$100.00 Supervisors Expense: \$4,700 - \$778.13; Reserved Water: \$100 - \$84.15; Workshops: \$500 - \$693.15; RC&D: \$400 - \$325.54 (Montana Range Days expenses taken from here and some expenses have been taken from office supplies. This will be reviewed and taken from workshops and/or RC&D. Supervisor's mileage will be paid at next meeting. This should be approximately \$2200.00. The board previously committed some of the balance left in June to Montana Range Days.

1994 BUDGET: Budget must be submitted to Clerk & Recorder, Gerry Nile, by June 10th. Gerry confirmed a 3% cost of living increase. An increase in Reserved Water budget was discussed since there may be more activity, and dues, as part of our commitment to the Yellowstone Basin Conservation District Reserved Water Council. Office Supplies, including utilities, have run short and therefore a \$100 increase was discussed. Supervisor's expenses which cover mileage for regular meetings, and per diem and mileage for special meetings included the national meeting in the 1993 budget. The 1994 budget will not include the national meeting and therefore be decreased by \$1700. Keith made a motion to approve the following budget for 1994. Jack seconded and motion carried.

SALARIES/BENEFITS: \$48,500 CONSERVATION EDUCATION: \$1,300 DUES: \$4724
OFFICE SUPPLIES: \$1,300 FIELD SUPPLIES: \$750 SECURITY BOND: \$100 MAINTENANCE
AGREEMENTS: \$450 NEWSLETTERS: \$1000 ANNUAL REPORT: \$100 SUPERVISORS
EXPENSE: \$3,000 RESERVED WATER: \$300 WORKSHOPS: \$300 RC&D/MRD: \$1,000
TOTAL FY 1994 BUDGET = \$62,824.00

LOWER YELLOWSTONE BASIN CD DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Robert Heinle reported on the meeting he attended in Terry on May 4th.

NOTES FROM DNRC: A 15 minute video of Kevin Keenan's presentation on the Water Quality Bureau's Enforcement Program has been completed. We can obtain a copy through Lake Conservation District. The board asked Jeanne to look into the cost of this video...

WATER QUALITY WORKSHOP: Tammy informed Jeanne that there is some confusion about our request for a water quality workshop and range monitoring workshop. Dallas, AC in Miles City, told Tammy arrangements were made through Eastern Plains RC&D for the water quality workshop. Since the district had not heard from anyone concerning the workshop, it was suggested to contact MSU. This was done, but there has been no contact with the district from Clayton Marlow, MSU.

SCS UPDATE: Rocky informed the board that state engineer, Jim Suit, was down to investigate irrigation canal seeps on YID and Hammond Irrigation Ditch, and possible solution i.e., ditch lining, repair, etc. Rocky also mentioned that DHES called to find out whether Kevin Brewer had installed any of the alternatives given him at his feed lot. To SCS's knowledge, Kevin chose to move his cattle rather than install something to deter the runoff. DHES has received some complaints on water quality down from Kevin's and when they investigated they found evidence that the feed lot had been used.

RESTRUCTURING SCS: Jeanne informed the board that she had written a letter, personally, to Dick Gooby, State Conservationist, questioning some statements made in the May 12 Montana SCS Current Developments. She also attended a Clerk's meeting in Glendive which addressed the same questions. Annual leave was used to attend the meeting. The clerk's planned to write a letter with all signatures, but Jeanne felt "more" individual letters would carry more weight. The clerk's concern is that SCS is not involving district supervisors in the task force they are forming, and overall restructuring plans. As a result of Jeanne's letter, she has been asked to review articles coming from the state office prior to their release. Jeanne agreed to do this but feels uncomfortable with it as she may not view the article in the same light as other districts/district personnel.

APRIL FAC MINUTES WERE RECEIVED.

NO-TILL DRILL: Nothing has been decided, as yet. This will be addressed at a later meeting.

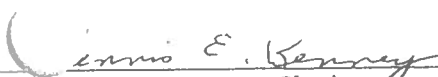
MACD INFORMATION: Mike Volesky, Executive Vice President, wrote on SCS restructuring. He asks that supervisors be ready to act quickly if reorganization turns into something that is not beneficial to districts. Mike also sent information on the Market Development Grant Program for research projects and improving access to ag info. There is a June 30th deadline for grant requests.

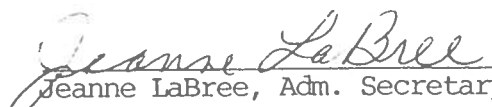
EASTERN PLAINS RC&D MEETING MINUTES RECEIVED.

MONTANA RANGE DAYS WILL BE HELD JUNE 21-23rd. The next Rosebud County Range Committee meeting will be held in Forsyth on June 2nd in USDA conference room.

SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION SOCIETY MEETING will be held August 8-11, in Fort Worth, Texas.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.


Dennis E. Kenney, Chairman


Jeanne LaBree, Adm. Secretary-Treasurer

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD JUNE 30, 1993

Members Present: Dennis Kenney, Chairman; Robert Heinle, V.Chm.; Jack Knobloch, Keith Lockie, Bob Nansel, Layton Salsbery. Caprice Gregory, Associate Supervisor.
 Not Present: Tom Wimer, excused.
 Others Present: Rocky Schwagler, D.C.; Tammy DeCock, Soil Conservationist; Matt Kurkowski, District Technician, Jeanne LaBree, Administrative Secretary-Treasurer.

The meeting was brought to order by Dennis Kenney, Chairman, at 7:00 p.m. in the USDA conference room. Minutes of the May 26th meeting were approved as written. The next meeting is scheduled for July 28th at 7:00 p.m.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:			COUNTY	DIST.	CRP	LOAN ACCT.	P.
Balances brought forward:			27282.26	1259.63	1482.05	328686.46	58
3139	US Post Office	Mailing Newsletter	139.29				
3140	College of Mines	H2O Project #0348	16193.01				
3141	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P. 10 (694.33)	768.80				
3142	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 10 (655.51)	877.60				
3143	Garfield CD	Range Camp/S.Mickell	40.00				
3144	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P. 11	768.80				
3145	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 11	877.60				
3146	IRS	M.Benefits(W.H.=689.85)	377.85				
3147	U.S. West	Phone service	66.89				
3148	Yellowstone Pharm.	Slides development	6.32				
3149	Peterson Typewriter	Maintenance Agreement	150.00				
3150	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P. 12	768.80				
3151	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 12	877.60				
3152	Independent Ent.	Newsletters/MRD supplies	280.25				
3153	Range Committee	MRS sponsorship	1500.00				
3154	Blackburn Manu.	Marking Flags (3100)	100.90				
3155	ELC Lumber	30 Bdl. Lath @10/bdl	300.00				
3156	State Fund	Worker's Com 2nd Qtr.	143.80				
3157	Unemployment Ins.	2nd Quarter	74.91				
3158	State Payroll Tax	2nd Quarter	32.27				
3159	Dennis Kenney	Mileage (6/1/92-5/30/93)	53.20				
3160	Tom Wimer	Mileage "	117.60				
3161	Jack Knobloch	Mileage \$	412.72				
3162	Robert Heinle	Mileage "	204.00				
3163	Keith Lockie	Mileage "	470.40				
3164	Layton Salsbery	Mileage "	19.60				
3165	Bob Nansel	Mileage "	94.08				
3166	Caprice Gregory	Mileage "	44.80				
3167	IRS	M.Benefits (W.H.=229.95)	125.95				
P.C.	Jack's IGA	Meeting Expense					5
P.C.	Clark's Hardward	Supplies/MRD Adv.					1
Total Expenses:			25887.04	-0-	-0-	-0-	8

INCOME DURING MONTH:

Q / Account	Reimb./Treasure CD	300.41	
D ict Account	L.O. Map/Ferguson		6.00
District Account	Range Plant Book/Peterson		6.00
District Account	Interest		12.22
District Account	Blue Prints/SC2		276.00

Loan Account	Agri-Empire (paid all)				14000.00	
Loan Account	Payments: Asay, Patterson				4490.00	
Loan Account	April Interest				962.57	
County Budget	Error in Carrying Forward	.10				
	Total Income:	300.51	300.22	-0-	19452.57	-
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD:		1695.73	1559.85	1482.05	348139.03	52

Jack made a motion to approve the financial statement. Layton seconded and motion carried.

Jeanne asked the board if they would approve the purchase of a computer desk. Keith moved to make this purchase. Bob seconded and motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

WATER QUALITY WORKSHOP: Alyce, from RC&D, has tentatively set a date of October 22nd for a meeting in Forsyth or Hysham. Kevin Keenan and Dave Jones have these dates open and Alyce would like the districts to set an agenda. Tammy submitted a tentative agenda for the board's approval. The Board decided not to have John McLain, from Utah, on the agenda because of the cost, and asked that a local Forest Service person be asked rather than Mark Story from Bozeman. It was also decided that October was a bad time for any workshop as ranchers will be processing their cattle for shipping, etc., and the workshop should take place after November 15th.

RANGE MONITORING WORKSHOP: Tammy presented a tentative agenda for a range monitoring workshop in the Ashland area. It was decided that this workshop could be held in August and attendants could bring a sack lunch, or other arrangements could be made by Tammy and Jeanne.

SCS RESTRUCTURING: Jeanne LaBree attended a "Delineation and Staffing Task Force" meeting June 7 & 8th in Lewistown, with a followup 1 hour conference call June 30th. Another meeting is scheduled July 22 and 23rd in Bozeman and this should finalize the task force's job. Jeanne asked the supervisors if they had any additional criteria for selecting the natural resource centers or units. The supervisors feel that there should be NO reduction in personnel within the Forsyth F.O. and would like to be able to have time for comments well in advance of any decisions made by the state office. The possibility of co-locating with FW&P was mentioned. The supervisors feel that this would NOT be a good idea as there is a lot of contention between FW&P and producers. To continue a good working relationship with FW&P is not contingent on co-location. Dennis mentioned that he may be able to attend the meeting in Bozeman. SCS will hold "town" meetings in August.

MONTANA RANGE DAYS: Bob reported that Montana Range Days was a success. The rain did cause a few problems. Sixty six people attended the Range Management Tour, and 275 attended the Tuesday night banquet. Four bus loads attended the Reclamation Tour. Colstrip High School had excellent facilities and the cooks did a great job.

310 REQUESTS: Range Telephone submitted two applications to bury cable across Rosebud Creek in the Northern Cheyenne area. However, the applications were for Big Horn County and Jeanne did not notice this. Old records show that the Northern Cheyenne Reservation is not under the district's 310 jurisdiction.

WATER MONITORING PROJECT: An invoice for \$20,546.29, covering the period 4/1/93-5/31/93, was submitted by the Montana College of Mineral Science. Layton made a motion to approve the invoice and send it to the Coal Board for payment. Bob seconded and motion carried. This leaves a balance of \$17,691.78 for June expenses as the contract expires on June 30, 1993.

SALINITY CONTROL ASSOCIATION: Minutes of the Executive Board Meeting and meeting held at the MACD convention were received. MSCA is considering incorporation. Incorporation would allow members at large. These members, representing other organizations, would probably not have voting privileges but MSCA would pay their mileage to meetings. There was no financial report in either minutes.

NO-TILL DRILL: Trade or sale of the no-till drill was discussed. At the present time, Harold Sorenson has it but will not use it until fall. At the March meeting, Charlie Bumgardner quoted \$10,000 plus the drill for a no-till grass drill. Without a trade-in, the price would be \$14,000. Bob Nansel made a motion to sell the drill for \$400. Robert seconded. Dennis questioned selling it without advertising or taking bids. Bob moved that the district go through the bid process, with the option to refuse all bids; sealed bids must be submitted to the district's office no later than the afternoon of July 28th. Robert seconded and motion carried. The advertisement, asking for bids, will be placed in the paper for three consecutive weeks, July 12, 19, 26th, and be opened by the board at their meeting on July 28th at 7:00 p.m.

WATER QUALITY WORKSHOP AT LEWISTOWN: Matt attended this workshop and gave a report to the board. The workshop was a campout with mostly extension people attending. Kevin Keenan was there to explain the Montana law. Among the things Matt learned at this campout was: 1) Livestock grazing in riparian areas is not bad. Cattle tend to stabilize banks by keeping them at an incline, allowing grass and brush to grow. The amount of cattle, however, would make a difference. 2) Water purifies itself within a short distance of many contaminants, 3) In setting up a water quality project, objectives need to be set, there should be at least three sites sampled approximately 1000' apart, and on a set schedule, and 4) water quality sampling should continue for ten or fifteen years. Using the 208 water quality data was discussed as historic data, and Dennis offered his drain ditches as a sampling site because sampling was done under a project in the early eighties. The only water quality sampling kits the district has is for two levels of nitrate and phosphorus.

MACD: The district received information on restructuring, a request to send a letter with dues explaining why full payment was not made, and a list of poster contest winners. Included was the schedule of 1993 area meetings. Area IV meeting will be held in Hysham on September 30th.

FAIRBOOTH: Jeanne asked if the board had any suggestions for the Fairbooth. Bob suggested pictures and/or information on Montana Range Days.

SCS REPORT: Rocky mentioned restructuring, progress goals, and informed the board that the Forsyth Field Office will be utilizing FOCS, a new computer program. Forsyth is one of a very few offices selected to initiate the program. Rocky asked the board if they knew of any contractors that work on springs. There are a lot of springs designed but producers cannot get a contractor.

NATIONAL FEDERAL LANDS CONFERENCE: A meeting will be held in Jordan on July 10th. Keith will be reimbursed for mileage and registration costs if he will attend. The meeting will address "The Power and Authority of County Governments", and is planned to furnish the tools that citizens and county governments need to defend their rights against the intrusion of federal and state land planning agencies.

RESERVATIONS: Jeanne asked Dennis if he had spoken to the Watson's on completing the official termination notice. June previously submitted a letter terminating the reserved water authorization...it had not been completed. Dennis said he had not discussed it but would as soon as possible.

YELLOWSTONE BASIN CD COUNCIL: A letter updating the districts on YBCD activities was received from Yellowstone CD. The Council's request for indefinite terms was denied by the Board of Natural Resources but they said that districts can present the matter to the board again during formal 10 year reviews beginning in 1994. Also individual districts can petition at any time!

At the last YBCDC meeting in Forsyth, Dennis presented the idea of eliminating the need for Water Users Annual Status Reports. The Council asked the district to write up such a proposal and submit it at the next council meeting. This meeting will probably not be held until Fall. Duane Claypool did some research on the subject and found that the request would have to go before the Board of Natural Resources as the Annual Status Reports is in General Plan. The Board Order states that the BNRC can request the districts submit these records to them at any time. Therefore, any proposal drawn up will have to include that water authorants must measure and keep track of water used so they can present them to the district if and when the BNRC requests them. Duane will draft a proposal for the district to review.

There being no further business, Dennis moved the meeting adjourn. Several supervisors stayed to look at Montana Range Days pictures.


Dennis E. Kenney, Chairman


Jeanne LaBree, Adm. Secretary-Treasurer

ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD JULY 28, 1993

Members Present: Dennis Kenney, Robert Heinle, Keith Lockie, Bob Nansel, Jack Knobloch, Tom Wimer, Layton Salsbery; and, Caprice Gregory, Assoc. Supervisor.
 Others Present: Rocky Schwagler, DC; Tammy DeCock, SC; Shirley Bollinger, SC, and Jeanne LaBree, Secretary-Treasurer.

The meeting was brought to order by Chairman, Dennis Kenney, at 7:00 p.m. in the USDA conference room. Minutes of the June 30th meeting were approved as written. The next regular meeting will be held August 18th at 7:00 p.m., by request from Dennis Kenney. He has a conflict with the regular meeting date.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT			COUNTY	DISTRICT	CRP	LOAN ACCT.	P.C
Balances brought forward:			\$62824.00	\$1559.85	\$1482.05	\$348139.03	\$52.4
3168	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P.13 (\$728.43)	792.00				
3169	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P.13 (\$692.56)	904.00				
3170	IRS	WH=\$239.99, M.Benefits	133.98				
3171	College of Mines	H2O Monitoring Proj.	20546.29				
3172	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P.14 (725.26)	792.00				
3173	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P.14 (688.94)	904.00				
3174	U.S. West	Phone Service	61.67				
P.C.	SCS	Change/wash vehicles					10.0
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$24133.94	-0-	-0-	-0-	10.0

INCOME DURING MONTH:							
COUNTY BUDGET	Coal Board Grant	\$20546.29					
DISTRICT ACCOUNT	Interest			7.05			
DISTRICT ACCOUNT	L.O.Map/Ponessa°			6.00			
LOAN ACCOUNT	Payments: Giesick, Heinle					1860.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT	Payments: Mereness, 4L					3310.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT	Payments: Brewer, Payer					6720.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT	Payments: Nansel, Kenney					4580.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT	Payment: Schiffer					2598.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT	Interest					2423.64	
PETTY CASH	L.O.Maps:DOT, Hudyma, Bugenstein						18.0
TOTAL INCOME		20546.29		13.05	-0-	21491.64	18.0
Balances Carried Forward:		\$59236.35		\$1572.90	\$1482.05	\$369630.67	\$51.5

Jack made a motion to accept the financial statement. Keith seconded and motion carried.

GPCP PLAN: Shirley presented the Great Plains Conservation Program plan for Gene Ashenhurst, and reviewed the practices, both management and structural, with the board. There are 46,804 acres to be contracted. Tom made a motion to approve the plan, Bob Nansel seconded and motion carried.

WATER QUALITY WORKSHOP: Tammy informed the board that Kevin Keenan could attend a WQ meeting on either December 1 or 2nd. Treasure CD would like to hold the meeting in Hysham as they feel it addresses feedlots and they have more in that county. Tom made a motion to hold the meeting in Hysham. Robert seconded and motion carried. Jeanne asked if the board wanted to apply for a grant to help defray the costs of the meeting/workshop. Layton made a motion to apply. Bob seconded and motion carried. Jeanne will check with Alyce (RC&D) or Frank Mastandrea to see if both districts apply for the grant or they apply jointly.

RANGE MONITORING WORKSHOP: Tammy confirmed that the workshop is scheduled for August 26th, and the meeting room will be in the Tongue River Electric Building in Ashland. Tammy asked if the Forest Service could be involved as they expressed an interest. Jack felt they should be, if there was time on the agenda. It was decided to make time. Treasure CD expressed an interest in co-sponsoring the meeting but would like it to be closer to Hysham. Dennis made a motion to sponsor the

COUNTY BUDGET: The FY 1994 Budget is \$62,824.00: Budget items are: SALARIES - \$44095.00 BENEFITS - \$4405.00 CONSERVATION EDUCATION - \$1,300.00 DUES - \$4724.00 OFFICE SUPPLIES - \$1300.00 SECURITY BOND - \$100.00 MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT - \$450 NEWSLETTER - \$1000.00 ANNUAL REPORT - \$100.00 SUPERVISORS EXPENSE - \$3000.00 RESERVED WATER - \$300.00 WORKSHOPS - \$300.00 MONTANA RANGE DAYS - \$1000.00 *Supervisors' expenses include all mileage to regular and special meetings and reimbursements of expenses to special meetings.

SCS RESTRUCTURING: Jeanne attended a two day meeting in Bozeman discussing/finalizing recommendations on delineation and staffing with that task force. The next step is Town Hall meetings. There will be a meeting in Billings on August 2, and Miles City on August 3rd. It is important that supervisors attend one or both of these meetings. However, if it dries up enough for haying, etc., they may not be able to attend. Jeanne will attend one or both meetings. Copies of the Task Force' recommendations were given to each supervisor so they could get an idea of what the meetings will entail.

NO-TILL DRILL: No bids on the no-till drill were received. It was advertised in the Forsyth and Colstrip paper for three weeks. Dennis made a motion to table any decision. Motion died without a second. It was the general consensus to advertise (without cost, if possible) in Farm and Ranch papers and ask DNRC newsletter which goes to all conservation districts. The board decided to set a price of \$5000.00.

LOAN PROGRAM: Neal Shelton's loan request was approved on May 26th at the regular meeting, but the application was not signed as approved. Dennis signed.

NATIONAL FEDERAL LANDS CONFERENCE: Keith Lockie attended this "seminar" held in Jordan on July 10th. The seminar addressed the "power and authority of county government. Speaker Karen Budd-Falen, attorney from Cheyenne, Wyo., stated that land planning ordinances do not advocate veto power over federal agencies but can force the agencies to consider alternatives. Congress requires federal agencies to protect the local economy, custom, culture and environment. Counties with land use plans defining their custom, culture and economy can control their own destiny, according to the speakers representing the National Federal Lands Conference. Keith was asked to submit his mileage/registration fee for reimbursement.

RESERVED WATER: The district received the official termination request by Ed and June Watson. Tom moved to accept the request to terminate the Watson's reserved water. Keith seconded and motion carried.

310: MONTANA POWER COMPANY submitted an application to clean out three flumes along Armells Creek. Since Armells Creek has not been designated a 310 stream, Keith made a motion that this was not a project under the 310 rules. Jack seconded and motion carried. A copy will be sent to FW&P, and Corps of Engineers. The applicant will be informed that this does not negate the need for other permits.

Montana Power also called about getting an Annual Plan of Operations for their intake pumps on the Yellowstone River. Jeanne sent an application but it has not been returned. Several board members felt they had already given MPC an Annual Plan of Operations. Jeanne will check into this.

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FARM BILL SURVEY: NACD sent out a survey for Conservation District supervisors on the 1995 Farm Bill. The topics included CRP, WRP, and other issues in the Farm Bill. The supervisors are asked to assess the current Farm Bill and prioritize items in the 1995 bill. The survey was filled out and will be returned to NACD.

SCS REPORT: Rocky asked the board if they would allow Matt to assist Stew in designing a feed lot waste management system in Treasure County. Both he and Matt felt it would be good training. The board agreed that Matt could take advantage of this training as long as it was only a few days and did not interfere with his work in Rosebud County. Rocky also discussed gated pipe practices. He feels that SCS and the District are spending a lot of time designing the gated pipe projects when it is not necessary. If a producer has used gated pipe on the field previously, there should be no need of technical assistance. However, if it is part of an irrigation reorganization or a field where it has not been used before then SCS should have needs and feasibility, design, etc. Rocky said he would be bringing this up at the County Review Group meeting on Friday, July 30th, if the board thought it was okay. The board did not have a problem with this proposal.

AREA IV MEETING: The is meeting is scheduled for September 30th - in Hysham. Resolutions need to be sent in by September 1st. The board had no resolutions to present. Jeanne asked the supervisors if they knew of anyone interested in competing in the speech contest. She will notify teachers, again, when school opens this fall. Treasure asked for ideas for an agenda. No one had any suggestions.

Y REVIEW GROUP MEETING: Scheduled for July 30, at 10:00 a.m. Meeting is to review and obtain suggestions for ACP practices within county, cost-share, etc. Supervisors are asked to attend.

NACD MEMBERSHIP DRIVE & NOMINATION FORMS were received from NACD.

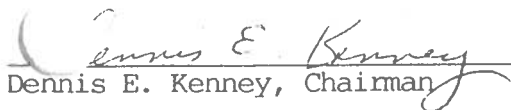
PUBLIC MEETING: A meeting addressing the concerns of "late filers" of existing water rights is scheduled for September 13 in Missoula.

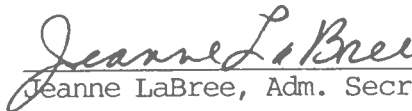
MACD: Received a letter from Ellis Hagen on SCS town hall meetings. Dates are August 2 in Billings at the Ramada Inn; August 3rd in Miles City, Eagles Cl. Proceedings from "Growing Into the 21st Century" symposium can be ordered for \$15/copy...and we received the same material on membership drive and nomination forms.

ANNUAL PLAN REVIEW: The board reviewed a list of items that were scheduled but have not been accomplished. The surge valve tour will be cancelled this year because of the unusually wet weather. The other items will be delayed but carried out during the calendar year.

RC&D: Caprice attended the RC&D meeting in Sidney. Also received RC&D newsletter

There being no further business, Dennis moved to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.


Dennis E. Kenney, Chairman


Jeanne LaBree, Adm. Secretary-Treasurer

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD AUGUST 18, 1993

Members Present: Dennis Kenney, Chairman; Jack Knobloch, Bob Nansel, Tom Wimer and Associate Supervisor, Caprice Gregory.

Others Present: Mike Odegard, Soil Conservationist; Jeanne LaBree, Adminstrat Secretary-Treasurer.

Not Present: Layton Salsbery, excused. Robert Heinle, Keith Lockie.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman, Dennis Kenney at 7:00 p.m. in the USDA conference room in Forsyth. Minutes of the July 28th meeting were approve as written. The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 22nd at 7:00 p

FINANCIAL STATEMENT			COUNTY	DISTRICT	CRP	LOAN ACCT
Balances brought forward:			\$59236.35	\$1572.90	\$1482.05	\$369630.67 \$5
3175	Keith Lockie	Land Conf.Mtg.	74.72			
3176	Caprice Gregory	RC&D mtg/Sidney	100.24			
3177	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P.15 \$725.26	792.00			
3178	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P.15 \$688.94	904.00			
3179	U.S. Post Office	Stamps (MRD & Range Mon)	68.00			
3180	U.S. West	Phone Service	56.85			
3181	NACD	Tree Guide/Mgt. Book	21.29			
3182	Selby's ESSCO	Blue Print Paper	96.12			
3183	BOSS	Computer Stand	99.95			
3184	Ind. Enterprize	Ad/no-till, Paper (RMW)	38.25			
3185	IRS	WH=471.98, Matching Ben.	267.98			
P.C.	Jack's IGA	Meeting Expense				
P.C.	V Store	Poster board/paper				
P.C.	Jack's IGA	Batter/bulbs (fair)				1
TOTAL EXPENSES			2519.40	-0-	-0-	-0- 2

INCOME DURING MONTH:

LOAN ACCOUNT Payments:Gregory, Spannagel 1350.00

TOTAL INCOME	0	0	0	1350.00
BALANCES CARRIED FORWARD:	\$56716.95	\$1572.90	\$1482.05	\$370980.67 3

Jack made a motion to approve the financial statement. Tom seconded and motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

FAIR: The schedule for booth sitting was passed around and supervisors signed up for times they could be there. It was noted that the booth will not be decorated to follow the theme "agriculture past and present". The Range Plant I.D. Contes will be held as well as a conservation quiz, seed quiz, and "Know your agency" quiz. Each will have a \$10 prize with a drawing held in case of ties. The weed board game will be on hand to identify noxious weeds. Give-a-ways will be the jar openers and pens. Treasure will be giving away erasers.

RANGE MONITORING WORKSHOP: This workshop is finalized for August 26th at 10:00 a.m. in Ashland. The first part of the program will be held in the Tongue River Electric Building and the district will serve lunch. The field workshop will be held at the W.C. Trusler ranch just outside of Ashland. Radio stations in Forsyth and Miles City will be giving public service announcements on the workshop and 80 fliers were sent to individuals in the Ashland, Rosebud Creek, Lane Deer, Broadus areas.

WATER QUALITY WORKSHOP - Mike Hilman, who was tentatively on the schedule, is now living in Utah. Tammy is seeking another speaker (rancher). Treasure CD will apply for the grant to assist the workshop financially. Workshop date is set for December 2nd. 157

SCS RESTRUCTURING: Dennis Kenney attended the SCS "Town Meeting" in Miles City. Jeanne could not attend as she was sick that day. Dennis reported that the restructuring should not cause conservation districts any problems as he understands that there won't be much transferring of personnel and conservation district boundaries are considered when forming the resource centers.

NO-TILL DRILL: Jeanne has not put an ad in the farm and ranch papers, as yet, but will check into the costs next week. Also she will send information on the no-till drill to Laurie Zellar, DNRC, so it can be advertised in their newsletter.

310: Montana Power - As yet, MPC does not have an Annual Plan for their pump site. In the past, they have submitted an application and the board, with concurrence from FW&P, determined that the work was not a project under SB310 model rules. MPC was sent an "Annual" application but has not returned it.

Country Club - Dennis asked Jeanne to check into the Country Club's need to request 310 permits as the State owns the land being irrigated. Local and state government projects would be exempt from the 310 law.

NEW BUSINESS:

310: Jeanne accepted an application from Bart Kraus for a 310 permit to remove some sediment and old riprap (causing an erosion problem) in Greasewood Creek. He was informed that Greasewood Creek was not a designated 310 stream but that it would be beneficial for him to get this determination in writing prior to doing any work. Jeanne failed to notice that Mr. Kraus worked for the Rosebud County Road Dept., and the application was for the county. Dennis made a motion that the activity was not a project under 310 rules since the county is not under the district's jurisdiction. Robert seconded and motion carried. The application/determination will be forwarded to FW&P.

H2O MONITORING PROJECT: The board received an invoice from the Bureau of Mines for expenses incurred under the Water Quality & Quantity Monitoring Project #0348 for the period June 1 through June 30th. The amount of the invoice is \$17691.78 and will be the final payment. Five percent will be withheld by the Coal Board until the final project report is received. Dennis moved to approve the invoice and submit it to the Coal Board. Bob seconded and motion carried.

RC&D: Eastern Plains RC&D Coordinator, Alice Kuehn, asked if the board would consider writing letters supporting the paving of a 50.4 mile stretch of road in Carter County. Samples of letters were included. It was suggested that letters be sent to Alyce but because of the lateness Jeanne will send them directly to congressmen. Minutes were also received.

MACD CONVENTIONS: Yellowstone CD looked into the costs of chartering a bus for supervisors to attend convention in Polson. A 47 passenger bus, leaving Billings on November 2 and returning to Billings on November 6th, costs \$51/person. Jeanne asked if reservations for hotel and/or bus should be made. Dennis said to reserve two rooms and a decision on the bus was not made as it would depend on how many supervisors and wives would go.

FROM MIKE VOLESKY/MACD: Received a letter on supplemental plans through Blue Cross. MACD would like a list of our cooperators, newsletter recipients, etc., so they can get out this information. The list was needed by 8/16 and Jeanne had not sent it without supervisors concurrence. The board decided that a list should not be sent out. Copies of NACD legislative summary was received, as well as a notice on the National Conservation Partnership meeting during the 1994 NACD convention in Phoenix. District supervisors are asked to review the "guiding Principles" and are encouraged to develop a mechanism for implementing them.

STRATEGIC INFORMATION PLANNING - Selecting objectives with reasonable bounds, communicating the proper message to audiences, projecting an outcome and measuring affective of the effort in terms of the desired goals - Jeanne is not sure where this pamphlet came from. However, strategic planning will be part of the "team" effort when the resource centers are formed.

REQUEST FOR DISTRICT "MEMBERS": The district received a request for a list of the members of the district so she can draw a random sample for researching crop and livestock producers throughout the state regarding water conservation. The request was made by an MSU student and I believe she wants cooperators and or operators within the district. The board decided this list should not be sent.

MEETING NOTICES: AREA IV MEETING - Hysham - September 30th.

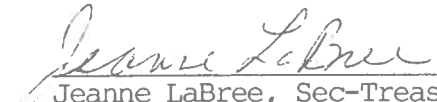
HARVEST OF OPPORTUNITIES - Sidney - September 25th

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT TRAINING SESSION - will be held at City Hall in Forsyth on August 31st at 6:30 p.m.

SC DATE: Mike updated the board on the new computer program being tested at Forsyth - FOCS, mentioned that field work is getting busy as September 30th is the end of the fiscal year. ASCS wants bills in by September 24th.

There being no further business, Dennis moved the meeting adjourn.


Dennis E. Kenney, Chairman


Jeanne LaBree, Sec-Treasurer

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MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 22, 1993

Members Present: Dennis Kenney, Jack Knobloch, Robert Heinle, Keith Lockie, and Associate Member, Caprice Gregory.

Not Present: Tom Wimer, Bob Nansel, excused. Layton Salsbery

Others Present: Rocky Schwagler, DC; Jeanne LaBree, Secretary-Treasurer.

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. in the USDA conference room. Minutes of the August 18th meeting were read and Water Quality Meeting date was amended to be held on December 1 rather than December 2nd. There being no further corrections, the minutes were approved. The next regular meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., October 27th.

FINANCIAL REPORT:			COUNTY	DISTRICT	CRP	LOAN ACCOUNT	P.C
Balance brought forward:			56716.95	1572.90	1482.05	370980.67	31.
3186	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P.16 (726.85)	792.00				
3187	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P.16 (690.75)	904.00				
3188	Claribel Bonine	Fair/Conservation Quiz	10.00				
3189	Bob Hanson	Plant I.D.,2nd Senior	20.00				
3190	Ben Hanson	Plant I.D.,2nd Junior	20.00				
3191	Dave McNaney	Plant I.D.,1st,Seed Quiz	35.00				
3192	Art Hayes III	Plant I.D.,2nd Adult	20.00				
3193	Darrel Myran	Plant I.D.,3rd,Quiz	25.00				
3194	Becky Miller	Plant I.D.,4th Adult	10.00				
3195	LeeAnn Fox	Plant I.D.,1st Senior	25.00				
3196	Christi Davenport	Plant I.D.,3rd Senior	15.00				
3197	Jenny Redland	Plant I.D., 1st Junior	25.00				
3198	JoAnn Storlie	Plant I.D.,3rd, Junior	15.00				
3199	Kelly Waltiere	Plant I.D.,4th Junior	10.00				
3200	Blackburn Manu.	Flags/shipping	28.37				
3201	College of Mines	H2O Project	12734.78				
3202	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P. 17	792.00				
3203	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 17	904.00				
3204	U.S.Post Office	Mailing Newsletters	141.55				
3205	IRS	W.H.=671.98,M.Benefits	267.98				
3206	Star Printing	6 Reams of Paper	66.02				
3207	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P. 18	792.00				
3208	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P. 18	904.00				
P.C.	Jack's IGA	Meeting Expense					5.
TOTAL EXPENSES			\$18556.70	-0-	-0-	-0-	5.

INCOME DURING MONTH:							
COUNTY BUDGET	Coal Board Grant	12734.78					
COUNTY BUDGET	Coal Board Grant	4957.00					
LOAN ACCOUNT	July Interest					980.32	
LOAN ACCOUNT	Payments: Giesick,Larson					1100.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT	Payments:Shaver,Garfield					4340.00	
PETTY CASH	Flags/Haines						5.
PETTY CASH	L.O. Map/Ballard						6.
TOTAL INCOME:		17691.78	-0-	-0-		6420.32	11.
Bal. es Carried Forward:		55852.03	1572.00	1482.05		377400.99	36.

Jack made a motion to approve the financial statement. Robert seconded and motion carried.

Jeanne noted that there had been a discrepancy of \$10 between the county's cash on hand statement and district's books. It turned out that Jeanne had written her wages check for \$655.51 (#3151) when it should have been \$665.51. Keith made a motion that Jeanne be paid the \$10. Robert seconded and motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

RANCH MONITORING WORKSHOP: Twenty people attended the workshop held in Ashland and at Truslers ranch. Jeanne supplied the meal, Marge Knobloch provided the cake. Dennis suggested paying \$3.50/plate, and Jeanne will reimburse Marge.

WATER QUALITY WORKSHOP: The final agenda has been prepared and Diane Stephenson (Treasure CD Administrator) has sent an application for a \$446 grant to help pay for mileage and expenses of the speaker. Lunch will also be provided to the attendees and the meeting will start at 1:00 p.m.

AREA IV MEETING: An agenda has been received. Russ Brown, an aid for Representative Pat Williams will be on hand to speak on the 1995 Farm Bill. Diane would like supervisors attending to think of questions they may wish to ask. There will be no agency reports but a districts may give a presentation on a special project, etc. Copies of resolutions that will be addressed were reviewed by the supervisors. The board would like to see the resolution written by Yellowstone CD "that the MACD put some effort to get the Montana Highway Department to practice noxious weed control on non-reclaimed gravel pits" amended to read "....noxious weed control at highways and non-reclaimed gravel pits." It was noted that the Montana County Noxious Weed Act includes these lands but the law needs to be enforced. Regarding the resolution from Stillwater Conservation District to adopt a policy regarding conversion of diversionary rights to instream flow rights...the board would like this resolution amended to clarify that the "public agency" be within the State of Montana. The resolution on agricultural products (import/export), written by Sweet Grass CD was not clear.

Jeanne asked the board who would be able to attend. Dennis, Caprice, Jack, and Jeanne plan on attending. Jeanne will call Bob, Tom, and Layton. Since Diane needs a head count, Jeanne will tell her five.

AREA IV TREASURER'S REPORT: Upper Musselshell CD sent a treasurer's report on Area IV Account. There is only \$184.91 left so another \$100 dues will be collected per district at Area IV meeting in Hysham.

WATER MONITORING PROJECT: The Water Quality & Quantity Monitoring Project #0348 final payment (the 5% which was withheld) has been paid by the Coal Board. A copy of the final report was received from Montana Bureau of Mines & Geology. Jeanne talked with Jon Wheaton and he hopes to get Big Horn CD to sponsor their next request for monitoring. However, Yellowstone County and Lower Musselshell may be the only counties eligible for Coal board grants.

310: FORSYTH COUNTRY CLUB: Jeanne contacted Steve Schmitz, DNRC, as requested by the board, and asked for an opinion on whether the State or the Country Club should be applying for the 310. Steve said that the 310 application should be made by the person doing the activity, not the land owner.

FRANCIS NILE: Franny submitted an application to shape and reseed approximately 200' of bank extending around 50' back from the waterline. He calls the area a drain ditch but topog and aerial photo show it is a slough of the Yellowstone. Robert made a motion that the activity is a project. Keith seconded and motion carried.

HATHAWAY RANCH: Robert mentioned that he was forced to pay a license fee to the State of Montana prior to getting their permission to complete his riprap project. He will send Jeanne a copy of this license so the board can review it.

YELLOWSTONE BASIN CD WATER RESERVATION COUNCIL: A meeting is scheduled for October 4th, at the Forsyth Country Club, at 12:00. The purpose of this meeting is to review and act upon the proposed changes to the Reserved Water Administrative Rules. The board looked through the rule changes and did not have a problem with them. It is noted that Rosebud CD's 10 year review will be July 1, 1995.

Robert Heinle, Dennis Kenney, and Jeanne LaBree will be attending the council meeting on the 4th. At a previous meeting, the board agreed that the Water Users' Annual Report should not be required after a period of time. Duane had informed the board that any change would have to be an amendment to the General Reserved Water Development Plan. The following changes will be brought before the YBCD Council:
Revise wording on page 11 (Provisions for Flow Measurement): The water user shall be responsible for measuring and recording water use. These records must be submitted to the district upon request to allow the district to comply with the Board Order which requires the district to submit such records to the Board or Department upon request. With this revision, the Annual Status Report mentioned on page 12 would be deleted.

SCS UPDATE:

Rocky updated the board on SCS activities. He invited a board member to attend the team meeting scheduled in Hysham on September 23rd at 10:00 a.m. Dennis will try to attend. Rosebud, Treasure, Big Horn and Yellowstone Counties form a team. Rocky also informed the board that there are several requests coming in for waste management systems. Franny Nile's 310 activity is part of a waste management system as he had to move his hogs from that area and needs to shape and reseed the banks.

MA CONVENTION:

November 3-5, Polson...KwataqNuk Resort. Jeanne reserved two rooms with two beds each. Dennis thought he and Dixie may attend. Caprice also may be able to go.

RC& D BOARD MEETING WILL BE HELD ON SEPTEMBER 23rd. The meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. in the Forsyth City Hall. Caprice will be attending.

INSURANCE:

Matt contacted the commissioners to ask the county if he is eligible for insurance through them. Duane Martens said the district personnel could use the County Insurance but the board would have to budget for it. The county pays insurance for the employee and money is withheld from the employee's check for his family. The district, without a motion, decided not to pay for insurance at this time.

MONTANA ASSOC. OF COUNTIES/JOINT POWERS INSURANCE AUTHORITY is offering property and casualty coverage to conservation districts. This includes errors & omission property and general liability. There is a workshop on October 5th but Jeanne will not be able to attend as she is attending a Range Monitoring workshop that day.

NOXIOUS WEED GRANT:

Harold Stepper, State Weed Coordinator, sent the district an application and guidelines for applying for a grant. All other application forms are to be discarded. The first grant hearing is scheduled in Lewistown in late April, 1994. Approximately \$600,000 is available.

ND DUES:

Ellis Hagen, NACD Northern Plains Region Director, sent a letter of thanks for the districts full payment of 1993 dues.

WATER QUALITY EDUCATION MINI-GRANTS AVAILABLE: Application deadline for these grants is 10/15/

RANGELAND RESOURCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES for May 18th were received. The minutes discuss the Rangeland Loan program, Governor's Range Conference, Grazing Land Initiative, and Range Monitoring among other things.

AG IN MONTANA SCHOOLS: The district received the Ag in Montana Schools 1993 Annual Report, and July 7-8 meeting minutes.

ANNUAL MONTANA RIPARIAN-WETLAND ASSOCIATION WORKSHOP - October 6-8 in Butte

FORESTRY MINI-COLLEGE: October 8 & 9th - Billings at Eastern Montana College. Registration deadline is October 6th with fee of \$10.00.

STATE AND LOCAL FUNDING OF NONPOINT SOURCE CONTROL PROGRAMS: This EPA document was sent by NAC

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTWRITING WORKSHOP (Beartooth RC&D): November 8-10 in Billings.

SB73, RAILROAD FENCING: The Public Service Commission sent the M A C D a copy of this bill, and they sent it on to the districts. The bill creates a penalty for failure of a railroad corporation to maintain fences; creates a process of notification to a railroad corporation, and set a time limit for payment on a judgment of liability for the value of a killed or maimed animal. The bill becomes effective October 1st.

There being no further business, Dennis adjourned the meeting at 9:50 p.m.


Dennis E. Kenney
Chairman


Jeanne LaBree
Secretary-Treasurer

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD OCTOBER 27, 1993

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dennis Kenney, Chm., Robert Heinle, V.Chm., Tom Wimer, Jack Knobloch and Associate Supervisor, Caprice Gregory
 NOT PRESENT: Keith Lockie, Bob Nansel, Layton Salsbery
 OTHERS PRESENT: Rocky Schwagler, DC, Jeanne LaBree, Adm. Secretary-Treasurer

The meeting was brought to order at 7:00 p.m. in the USDA conference room, by Chairman, Dennis Kenney. The minutes of the September 22, 1993 meeting were approved as written. Next regular meeting is scheduled for November 29th at 2:00 p.m. (This meeting was changed as the regularly scheduled meeting would fall on Thanksgiving Eve and Jeanne requested a change

FINANCIAL STATEMENT			COUNTY	DISTRICT	CRP	LOAN ACCT.	
Balance Brought forward:			55852.03	1572.90	1482.05	377400.99	3
3209	College of Mines	Monitoring Project	4957.00				
3210	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P.19 (726.85)	792.00				
3211	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P.19 (690.75)	904.00				
3212	Jeanne LaBree	Range Monit./Cater	70.00				
3213	U.S. West	Phone Service	58.67				
3214	Country Club	YBCDDC Mtg. expense	13.50				
3215	IRS	M.Benefits (P.P.18)	108.53				
3216	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/P.P.20 (742.69)*	792.00				
3217	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/P.P.20 (708.83)*	904.00				
3218	State Treasurer	Old Fund Tax	50.88				
3219	State Fund	Workmen's Comp	128.81				
3220	Ind. Enterprise	Newsletters	202.82				
3221	U.S. West	Phone Service	59.36				
3222	Unemployment Ins.	Third Quarter	259.49				
3224	IRS	M.Benefits (PP 19,20)	259.49				
P.C.	Jack's IGA	Reg.Mtg. expense					
P.C.	V Store	Album/inserts/MRD					1
P.C.	Clark's	Pipe (monitoring)					
TOTAL EXPENSES:			9434.03	-0-	-0-	0	2

INCOME DURING MONTH:

DISTRICT ACCOUNT	Flags/J.Hirsch	10.00					
DISTRICT ACCOUNT	Blue Prints/SCS	168.00					
DISTRICT ACCOUNT	Interest	14.26					
LOAN ACCOUNT	Payments:Nansel,Payer,Batey					2600.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT	Payments:Nile,Spannagel,weight					2270.00	
LOAN ACCOUNT	Interest/August					1669.99	
PETTY CASH	L.O.Maps:Pinkerton,Barth,Campbell						1
PETTY CASH	L.O.Map & Range Plant Book:Dassinger						1
PETTY CASH	Flags:Mereness						
TOTAL INCOME			-0-	192.26	-0-	6539.99	3

Balance carried forward:	46418.00	1765.16	1482.05	383940.98	4
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Tom made a motion to accept the financial statement. Jack seconded and motion carried. *It was brought to the board's attention that Matt and Jeanne's net pay check increased in P.P. 20 because of overwithholding FICA taxes in PP's 13-1

OLD BUSINESS:

NO-TILL DRILL: Laurie Zellar, DNRC, will advertise the drill in her next newsletter. A price of \$5000 was set at the 7/26 meeting and the board decided to continue to ask that price. However, "or best offer" will be added.

AREA IV MEETING: Dennis Kenney, Jeanne LaBree, and Rocky Schwagler attended the Area IV Conservation Districts' meeting in Hysham on September 30th. Presentations of district projects were given (Yellowstone CD/Weed Badger; Stillwater Cd/Water Quality on Butcher Creek; Treasure CD/6th Grade Conservation Day; and Carbon CD/Straw Mulching). Liability of supervisors was discussed and it is minimal..copies of handouts were given to each board member. The Area IV finances were reviewed and it is necessary to collect \$100/district. Bob made a motion to pay these dues. Tom seconded and motion carried.

WATER QUALITY SEMINAR: Treasure CD received a grant for \$460 from DNRC. Jeanne is making posters and fliers but is not sure where in Hysham the seminar will be held. Letters will be sent to the speakers as soon as this is known. The seminar is scheduled for December 1st. Lunch will be provided and it is hoped that at least 50 farmers and ranchers from Rosebud and Treasure Counties will attend.

YELLOWSTONE BASIN CD WATER RESERVATION COUNCIL: A meeting was held on October 4th at the Forsyth Country Club. Jeanne, Robert and Dennis attended. The Administrative Rule changes were discussed at length at the council meeting, and Will Clark, Council Chairman, sent the districts a summary of suggestions, additions and items needing to be clarified. The board reviewed these suggestions made by the council members and agreed with them. On "attachment #2, procedure for adoption of items presented at the Yellowstone Basin Council, the supervisors felt that option 1a through 5a should be adopted with a change in 2a "The Council recommends adoption of the item". Attachment #3 (Complaint Procedure) it was recommended that under Action Initiated By Complaint, (2), "with permission of the landowner" in the first sentence should also be stricken. Attachment #4 (irrigation definition) was adopted by the district in April, as was Attachment #5, Addendum to Notice of Completion. Attachment #6 (info on the status of the Reserved Water in the Yellowstone Basin): Information on this is presented at least annually by Duane Claypool.

Little Beaver CD would like at least one supervisor to attend the MACD convention in Polson as they would like to discuss the "Administrative Rules changes" on November 4 at 4:30. No one will be attending the convention, however.

Yellowstone Basin CD Council funds are depleted. Bob made a motion to send the \$25 dues to Yellowstone CD. Jack seconded and motion carried.

LANDOWNER MAPS: Dennis informed the board that one landowner mentioned that hunters were calling him late in the evening inquiring about his state land leases and he wondered how they knew who to contact. Dennis was concerned that they may be using the district's outdated landowner maps and asked the other supervisors how they felt about not making more copies...especially since the majority of those wanting maps now are looking for state and BLM lands. The others agreed and Dennis made a motion to that effect. Bob seconded and motion carried. BLM maps will provide the public with maps that accurately show state and federal lands.

RESERVED WATER/ED WATSON: DNRC, Water Rights Bureau in Miles City sent a form "Acknowledgement of No Intent to Complete Authorization to Change" for Ed Watson. The form was sent to Ed Watson for his signature. A self-addressed and stamped envelope was included.

Bill Schwarzkoph has decided not to carry through with his request for reserved water. A form was sent to Bill for his signature on 9/22. It has not been returned.

MRD/COAL BOARD GRANT REQUEST: Murdo Campbell suggested the district send in another request for a grant to assist with Montana Range Days/1994. He thought we should cut the request in half, however, since one year has been completed. There will be a Coal Board meeting in Billings on November 19, to review the pre-application. Hopefully Bob Nansel, as Chairman of the Range Committee, will attend. Murdo also needed tax records, budgets, etc. for FY 92-92, 92-93, 93-94. This was given him via phone call.

OUTDOOR CLASSROOM: The Dept. State Lands sent a "license" for the board to sign and a bill for \$150/year beginning in February 1994. Along with the increase from \$25 to \$150, is a contract which gives the district the responsibility for fire, noxious weeds, debris, etc. on the area. After a discussion on the feasibility of keeping the Outdoor Classroom, it was decided that the increase was too high in as much as hikers, hunters, and bird watchers may get a license for \$5.00. Also the accessibility, of the land, to the general public puts a great responsibility on the district in regard to debris, etc. Tom made a motion that the district NOT enter into a lease with State Lands. Jack seconded and motion carried. Jeanne will write a letter to Marylee Norris, Director of Land Divisions, informing her of the district's decision.

310: Franny Nile - Phil Stewart signed off on the Turbidity exemption and informed the district he did not feel an on-site was necessary. We also received a notice that 404 okayed the activity without a need for permit.

CHANGE IN MODEL RULES: DNRC informed the board that a public hearing was needed so that a change in the rules, Section 17., Penalties, could be adopted. It was decided to hold the public hearing at the district's next regular meeting (November 29, at 2:00 p.m.). Notices will be put in the paper for three weeks, and posted in the Court House.

MACD: The supervisors were requested to write on behalf of maintaining the SCS as an independent agency under the new Natural Resources Conservation Service rather than under the Farm Services. The board agreed that this would be beneficial and asked Jeanne to write on behalf of the district.

SCS: Rocky discussed the restructuring of SCS and the need for supporting letters on the Natural Resources Conservation Service and SCS under this service.

OUTSTANDING CONSERVATIONIST? ANNUAL BANQUET: The board decided that Bill and Gina Asay would be the Outstanding Conservationist for 1993. Jeanne asked if the board had any ideas on entertainment and would they like a slide presentation on Montana Range Days (1993) given at the Banquet. Slides will have to be made from the prints and Jane Holzer (Salinity Association Coordinator) can do this. Jeanne also suggested that this year's guests could include members of the Rosebud County Range Committee who worked very hard to make Montana Range Days a success. The board agreed with the slide presentation and guests and will think about entertainment.

BUDGET BALANCES: SALARIES - \$30527 M.BENEFITS - \$3131.38 CONSERVATION EDUCATION - \$1048.
DUE - \$4724 OFFICE SUPPLIES - \$810.48 FLD SUPPLIES - \$625.51 BOND - \$100.00
MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS - \$450 NEWSLETTER - \$655.62 ANNUAL REPORT - \$100
SUPERVISORS EXPENSES - \$2825.04 RESERVED WATER - \$286.50 WORKSHOPS - \$162.7
MONTANA RANGE DAYS - \$971.00 BALANCE + \$46418.00

LOAN ACCOUNT: CASH ON HAND - \$383,940.98 LOANS APPROVED - \$70,000
COMMITTED: \$52,900 BALANCE AVAILABLE TO LOAN = \$261,040

LOAN PROGRAM: Jeanne informed the board that Neil Shelton would like to borrow \$12,000 rather than the \$10,000 recently approved. His project will be more than he originally thought. Neil will be making a payment to Fergus County Credit Union which will make his debt to them \$40,000..November. We have a sub-ordination from them on Neil's first loan of \$4800. He owes \$1440 on that loan, and will be re-applying for the \$12,000 in November or December.

EMPLOYEES RIGHTS UNDER FAMILY & MEDICAL LEAVE ACT OF 1993: DNRC sent a copy of these rights which were effective August 5, 1993.

AG ENERGY GRANTS: Applications are due January 4th. Guidelines and applications forms were received.

YOUNG AG COUPLES CONFERENCE: Nominations must be in to MACD by November 12th. The board did not have a nominee.

CONSERVATION EDUCATION PROGRAM: 1994 nomination material was received. Deadlines are: April 1 for Conservation Districts; March 1 for teachers.

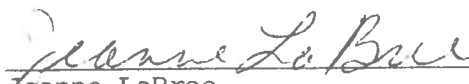
RC&D NEWSLETTER RECEIVED.

DNRC NOTES RECEIVED.

SHARON LINDBERG, MACD Administrative Secretary moved to Arizona. Jeannie Miller is taking her place.

There being no further business, Dennis moved the meeting adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 10:00 p.m.


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Chairman


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Administrative Secretary

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MINUTES OF THE NOVEMBER 29, 1993, PUBLIC HEARING/REGULAR MEETING

Members Present: Dennis Kenney, Chm.; Keith Lockie, Jack Knobloch, Tom Wimer, Bob Nansel.
 Members Not Present: Robert Heinle, Layton Salsbery.
 Others Present: Rocky Schwagler, DC; Jeanne LaBree, Adm. Secretary-Treasurer. (Abner Farnum came in at 3:00 p.m.)

The Pubic Hearing was brought to order by Chairman Dennis Kenney at 2:03 p.m. in the USDA Conference Room. There was no public attendance. The supervisors reviewed the present Natural Streambed & Land Preservation Act of 1975 Model Rule #17, and the proposed Rule #17, Penalties -- Restoration. The changes were made to help explain the difference between the criminal and civil aspects of initiating a project without consent. The supervisors were concerned that the changes could make a fine mandatory and they are against this. They feel that violators should be given a chance to restore the stream and/or bank without a fine if restoration is done within the time limits given by the supervisors. After some discussion it was decided that the word "may" will still give them that option. There being no objection from the public, (meeting was public noticed for three consecutive weeks in both Rosebud County newspapers), Jack made a motion to approve the changes in Rule 17. Tom seconded and motion carried.

The regular meeting was brought to order at 2:30 p.m. Minutes of the October 27th meeting were approved as written. Next regular meeting will be held on December 22nd at 2:00 p.m.

FISCAL STATEMENT			COUNTY	DISTRICT	CRP	LOAN ACCT.	P.C.
Balances brought forward:			\$46418.00	\$1765.16	\$1482.05	\$383940.98	\$46.
3225	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/PP 21(728.83)	792.00				
3226	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/PP 21(693.01)	904.00				
3227	Yellowstone Phm.	Film/development	30.57				
3228	U.Musselshell Cd	Area IV Dues	100.00				
3229	Yellowstone CD	YBCD Dues	25.00				
3230	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/PP 22(728.83)	792.00				
3231	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/PP 22(693.01)	904.00				
3232	IRS	WH463.500,M.Ben.	259.50				
3233	U.S. West	Phone Service	43.30				
3234	Matt Kurkowski	Wages/PP 23(728.83)	792.00				
3235	Jeanne LaBree	Wages/PP 23(693.01)	904.00				
800	U.S. Post Office	WQ Seminar Mailings		28.38			
P.C.	Jack's IGA	Meeting Expenses					6.
	*County Cash	Transfer from Loan Acct.				5000.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES:			\$5546.37	28.38	-0-	\$5000.00	\$6.
INCOME DURING MONTH:							
LOAN ACCOUNT							
		Payments: C.Bell,B.Asay				2240.00	
		Payments: Hoff,Nansel,Martens				5860.00	
		Payments:Sorenson,McDaniel				5670.00	
		Payments;Kenney,Schwend				490.00	
		Payments:J.Spannagel,Lackman				1260.00	
		Interest/October				1148.97	
DISTRICT ACCOUNT:		Blue Prints (Schwagler)		4.00			
TOTAL INCOME			-0-	4.00	-0-	16668.97	6.
Balances Carried Forward:			\$40871.43	\$1740.78	\$1482.05	395609.95	39.

*County cash on hand (not our budget) shows a deficit. Therefore, \$5000 was transferred from the loan account to county cash until taxes are collected.

Keith Lockie presented a letter of resignation, effective immediately, as he is no longer a resident of Rosebud County. Keith has served over 11 years on the board. Jack made a motion to accept Keith's resignation. Bob N. seconded and motion carried. Jack suggested Don Hirsch, Jack Nessel or John Killen to be asked to replace him. Jeanne will make a vacancy announcement for the position in the newsletter as well as the Forsyth Independent Enterprise.

Dennis Kenney also told the board he will be resigning the last of December and suggests that Caprice Gregory be appointed to fill his position.

WATER QUALITY SEMINAR: The seminar will be held in Hysham on December 1st (Wednesday). Dennis, Tom W., Bob Nansel and Jack Knobloch said they planned to go. Jeanne asked if they would bring a neighbor, friend, etc., so we would get a fair representation from Rosebud county. She also asked if they had been hearing the public service announcements on the radio and they hadn't. Jack thought he may have heard one. Jeanne asked if the board would consider placing a paid advertisement on the seminar. It was decided to do this.

Abner Farnum stopped by the meeting at 3:00 p.m. He said he seen it advertised. The board explained the public hearing on the 310 changes had been publicized but the meeting had been held at 2:00 p.m. Abner questioned the 50' right-of-way the State was "taking" along the Yellowstone River. Dennis asked Abner if he would bring in any article, etc., he had concerning this as the board did not have any information other than what Robert Heinle had mentioned. Abner also is concerned that concrete is not going to be approved in riprap and was generally upset about the various laws. He mentioned his need to repair existing jetties and Jack suggested he should apply for a 310 permit. It was also suggested to apply for an Annual Plan. Abner questioned water quality laws and was asked to attend the Water Quality Feedlot Seminar in Hysham, with lunch being provided at noon.

310 APPLICATION: Burlington Northern submitted a 310 application to replace a bridge over Dryyard Creek by Hathaway. Jeanne had suggested they apply for the permit even though Dryyard Creek is not a designated 310 stream so they would have written verification of this determination. Tom made a motion that the activity was NOT a project. Jack seconded and motion carried. The determination will be forwarded to FW&P, Corps of Engineers, and BN.

YELLOWSTONE RIVER BASIN CD RESERVED WATER COUNCIL: Will Clark, of Yellowstone CD and YBCD Chairman sent the Water Reservation administrative changes and asked if there were any further suggestions or objections. He needed comments prior to November 22, if there were any, and Jeanne felt that since the board had reviewed these changes they would not have any further comment. Will also sent the Little Missouri Basin Council's "position statement" concerning the DNRC proposal to postpone the financial support budgeted to complete the Little and Lower Missouri Water Reservations Environmental Impact Statement. They ask each CD to contact state legislators before the special session to express disapproval of DNRC's action. After considering the request, it was generally felt that to postpone the action on the Missouri Water Reservations would be more costly than if they were carried out now. There also would be a chance that the water would never be reserved for agriculture. Tom made a motion that Jeanne write letters, on behalf of the district, opposing any delay in the Little and Lower Missouri River Reserved Water process. Dennis seconded, motion carried.

LETTERS/SCS UNDER NATURAL RESOURCE CONSERVATION SERVICE: Letters were sent to all Montana delegates and five others on pertinent committees. Received an answer from Max Baucus. He supports the idea of streamlining USDA but will give strong consideration to the effects that any proposal will have on Montana and our ag industry.

UPDATE: Rocky discussed Matt's work schedule with the board. It was left up to Rocky to decide except that there will be no comp-time. Rocky mentioned that he has a record form to use when applying pesticides. This record is a requirement by state law, and he will give out copies if needed. State Lands have made it easier to cross their land with pipeline etc. They no longer require a licensed surveyor but will charge a license fee...whether annual or one time is not known. The Northern Cheyenne Tribe is applying for a GP contract for approximately \$600,000...which will be a "huge" workload. Concerning the newly formed

SCS UPDATE, cont'd:

teams, Rocky informed the board that Frank Arnold will be the computer specialist, Merlin on, the Ag Engineer; Ken Peterson, Conservation Engineering Technician; Snooks Schmidt, Administrative Assistant; and Jim O'Donnell is supposed to assist Rosebud County as well as other teams. Again, team members are Yellowstone Co., Treasure Co., and Big Horn County.

GOODYEAR SPECIAL HONORS AWARD: Rosebud CD was given the Goodyear special honors award. Diar Stephenson, Treasure CD Clerk, picked up the award for the district and Elmer and Ann Boschee. The district's award is a medallion to put on their 1987 Goodyear Grand Award. We also rec'd. a letter of congratulations from MACD President, Ellis Hagen. Dawson County received the Gra Award for 1992.

MACD: MACD sent a list of new phone numbers for Blue Cross/Blue Shield Insurance Representatives. Districts are supposed to get \$2/month/policy but Rosebud CD has not received a payment for the past two years. There have been quite a few cancellations because of the rate hikes so it was assumed there were no policies. Jack Knobloch said his kids had policies however. The NACD Conservation Briefs were also sent. Grazing issues are highlighted and the NACD Board of Directors adopted a policy statement calling for a one year moratorium on rangeland policy changes to allow time for thorough public and congressional consideration. It is also mentioned that NACD has been invited to serve on a national steering committee to examine relationships between Native American tribes and federal, state and local government agencies. MACD enclosed a district "Plan of Operations" because because they and the Conservation District Bureau of DNRC have found that many district supervisors and employees have expressed a need for such a plan to deal with issues that come up. The "plan" outlines a step-by-step procedure which Rosebud CD pretty much follows. Attached to the "plan" is a page showing the primary assistance that is provided to CD's....SCS, CDB, and MACD.

FAC MEETING IN LAME DEER ON OCTOBER 19th: Jeanne neglected to inform the board she attended FAC meeting (along with representatives from BIA, Northern Cheyenne Tribe, SCS, FmHA, and) to report on district activities.

AG IN MONTANA SCHOOLS: The district received a Christmas card and the annual dues notice.

MONTANA RANGE DAYS: Bob Nansel, Jeanne LaBree, and Bill Schwarzkoph attended the Montana Coal Board meeting in Billings on November 19th. They presented the pre-application for \$1125 in funds for the second year of Montana Range Days. Although the Coal Board denied the application for a Coal Board Grant, they approved the grant under a contract agreement. Most of the Coal Board members spoke highly of Montana Range Days. Jim Anderson, Colstrip Principal, Coal Board Member, suggested the Range Committee charge a higher registration fee because he knew, firsthand, how much they were getting for their money. It was explained that the fee is low so that it encouraged greater participation and families could take advantage of the program without too much hardship. A State MRD Steering Committee meeting is supposed to be held during the Stockgrowers Convention in Billings, but a firm date has not been set.

STATE LANDS/OUTDOOR CLASSROOM: The District received a letter from State Lands stating that their Outdoor Classroom license is cancelled and that all markers, flags, etc., must be removed by February 28, 1994. The supervisors suggested that Jeanne send a letter, with a copy of the letter sent to State Lands, to the Land Board, our legislator, and the Governor.

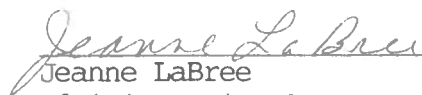
RC&D NEWSLETTER: Newsletter and minutes of the October 28 meeting in Glasgow were received. Their next board meeting is scheduled in Sidney on December 9th, and a Council meeting on January 19...also in Sidney. Included were upcoming meeting and seminar notices. Ed Smith, from the Montana Highway Commission, is concerned that in the near future there may be the of Federal aid program dollars because the Montana Dept. of Transportation may not be to match those dollars.

INSURANCE ANTITRUST LITIGATION: The Attorney General sent a letter to update the status of a class action antitrust lawsuit filed in 1988 against various entities in the insurance industry in Montana, and 18 other states, are alleging that these insurance companies conspired during the mid-1980s to eliminate or restrict the availability of commercial general liability insurance (and property insurance for **pollution** risks) to various states and **local political subdivisions**. Mazurek states each political subdivision must retain all documents relating to this matter (between January 1, 1982, and December 31, 1987). Rosebud CD carried a Director's and Officers Liability Insurance policy during those years. A copy of this policy is being retained.

MACD SPRING BOARD MINUTES RECEIVED.

There being no further business, Dennis Kenney moved to adjourn at 3:55.


Dennis E. Kenney
Chairman


Jeanne LaBree
Administrative Secretary-Treasurer

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MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1993

Members Present: Dennis Kenney, Chm.; Robert Heinle, Jack Knobloch, Bob Nansel, Tom Wimer, Layton Salsbery, and Associate Supervisor, Caprice Gregory.
 Others Present: Rocky Schwagler, DC; Dallas Johannsen, AC, Miles City; Jeanne LaBree, Administrative Secretary-Treasurer.

Minutes of the November 29th meeting financial balances were changed to reflect the transposed figure in County Budget. Tom made a motion to accept the financial statement. Bob Heinle seconded and motion carried.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT:	COUNTY	DISTRICT	CRP	LOAN ACCOUNT	P.C.
Balances brought forward:	\$40871.63	\$1740.78	\$1482.05	\$395609.95	\$39.
3236 Selby's Maintenance Agreement	286.00				
3237 U.S. West Phone Service	60.98				
3238 Matt Kurkowski Wages/PP 24 (728.83)	792.00				
3239 Jeanne LaBree Wages/PP 24 (693.01)	904.00				
3240 IRS (WH=463.50) Matching Benefits	259.50				
Totals	\$2302.48	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-

INCOME DURING MONTH:					
LOAN ACCOUNT	October Interest			1319.05	
DISTRICT ACCOUNT	November Interest	7.35			
Totals		-0-	7.35	-0-	1319.05

Balances carried forward:	\$38569.15	\$1748.13	\$1482.05	\$394689.00	\$39.
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Tom made a motion to approve the financial statement. Layton seconded, and motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

Letters were sent to legislators on behalf of Missouri Basin Reserved Water request for full funding and NOT to postpone the proceedings.

NO-TILL DRILL: The advertisement for the sale of the district's no-till drill was not in the Conservation District's Bureau "Notes".

NEWSLETTER: An article on the increase in state lands "license" for outdoor classroom and subsequent decision not to continue the lease was put in the district's newsletter. Also, a call for someone to agree to an appointment to fill Keith Lockie's position was put in the newsletter.

NEW BUSINESS:

SCS UPDATE by Rocky: Rocky informed the board that the Northern Cheyenne Tribe applied for a GP contract on 440,000 acres. This acreage includes land in Big Horn County. A \$600,000 special allocation is being sought to fund the contract. Rocky asked if the board would set a priority on the GP but it was decided to wait until more information was available. This application will increase the SCS workload considerably. Expertise from both the tribe and the BIA will be utilized. Rocky also told the board that Matt would be on jury duty for a day or two. The district will follow state procedure....Matt can take annual leave in which case he would keep the money given him for sitting on the jury, or sit on district's time and the check will be turned over to the district. Matt will have to select the latter because he does not have enough annual leave. Hal Hunter would like to know if the district would be interested in a Forestry Workshop to help inform producers on prices, management, etc., of logging. The board declined holding such a workshop because the vast majority of producers have already entered into the contracts. The supervisors would like Hal to write an article in the newsletter, and it was noted that Montana Range Days' management tour will be on forested land.

ECO-SYSTEM PLANNING: Dallas Johannsen, Area Conservationist, Miles City, explained the draft proposal on Eco-system planning. When asked how Eco-system planning differed from Coordinated Resource Planning, Dallas said it was pretty much the same but with a new name. It was also noted that conservation districts were not mentioned in the draft proposal specifically but "local governments" were mentioned. The district board members were afraid this system was geared to work from the top down rather than from the local level up. Dallas updated the board on the team concept. The board asked who would be taking responsibility for various problems that arise when there are no more district conservationists. Dallas said it would depend upon the problem and how the team wished to handle it. However, the Resource Conservationist (previously DC) would probably continue pretty much as he is doing now.

IRON JAW STATION: Tammy DeCock presented a conservation plan on Jeff Boggs. Tammy explained that FW&P are planning to fund the conservation practices which are planned under a 15 year contract which includes hunting and fishing access. Tammy said there are 4079 acres involved. Tom made a motion to approve the conservation plan. Bob Nansel seconded and motion carried.

WORKMEN'S COMP: Little Beaver CD requested information on the conservation district's costs under Workmen's Compensation Insurance. It seems little Beaver is being charged \$6.20 per \$100. Rosebud CD pays \$2.06/\$100 for Matt as a land surveyor-driver and \$2.06/\$100 for clerical service. The information was sent to Little Beaver CD.

MACD: In reading the 1991 MACD financial report, it was noticed that \$27,799.63 was listed as miscellaneous income and \$5,400 listed as "other expenses". Jeanne brought this to the attention of the board and Jack made a motion to question MACD as to what these items are as the amounts are substantial. Bob Heinle seconded the motion and motion carried. Jeanne will write and request this information. She will also mention that their income totals do not add up (interest earned was listed but not added), and the total of the special funds and total disbursements are incorrect.

ROSEBUD SCHOOL: A teacher from Rosebud Elementary asked for help in assisting one of his students gather information about School District #12...land use, etc. He says they are doing a Geo Portrait of the school district and wants all the information they can gather. Each students is asking a different agency for information.

YELLOWSTONE BASIN CONSERVATION DISTRICT RESERVED WATER COUNCIL: Will Clark sent a copy of the letter he sent to Ms. Teresa McLaughlin on suggested changes in the proposed reserved water administrative rules.

ANNUAL BANQUET: The board set a February 6th (Sunday) date for the Annual Banquet. The banquet will begin at 5:30 p.m. Dallas was asked if he knew of someone to speak or entertain at the banquet and he mentioned Bruce Vincent from Libby, Montana. He speaks about landowners' rights. The board asked Jeanne to write and see if he would be interested in coming down.

NACD 48TH ANNUAL CONVENTION: 1/30/94 - 2/3/94 in Phoenix, Arizona. Pre-registration is January 10th. NACD has a block of rooms reserved. Anyone wishing to attend should call Jeanne prior to 1/10 so that arrangements can be made. At this time, no one plans to attend.

DENNIS KENNEY/RETIREES: Dennis submitted a written resignation effective 12/31/93. He suggested that Caprice Gregory be appointed to fill this position until the next general election. Prior to the general election, the public will be notified that there is positions open. Bob Heinle moved to accept Dennis' resignation. Tom seconded and motion carried. Bob Heinle moved to appoint Caprice for Dennis' position. Bob Nansel seconded and motion carried.