

ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING AGENDA

January 8, 2018

5:00 PM

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

Meeting called to order by _____ @ _____ pm.

5:00 PM

Board Members Present:

Board Members Absent:

Others Present:

Guests:

Treasure Report:

Through Dec 31st in your packets

Meeting Minutes:

November draft minutes in your packet

Expense Vouchers:

Let me know if you have anything that needs to be added to your voucher.

Administrator Report: report in your packet

Admin assistant report: report in your packet

Outreach & Education:

Monica, Heather and I will be working with Melissa Ashley on another gardening workshop this spring. The focus will be local gardeners.

310 workshop- it has been a few years since we have had a 310 workshop in our area. Treasure has expressed interest in partnering with us.

Its time again to start planning with the county 6th grade classrooms to organize conservation days 2018.

Augmented Reality Sandbox-information in your packets. Treasure has expressed interest in partnering. Bobbi can apply for grants to cover costs, approximately \$4,000.

Bobbi will be attending the Treasure County CD board meeting on January 9th.

Meeting Schedule:

The next regularly scheduled board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, February 1st, 2018.

Loans:

John Polich has requested an extension on his no interest loan for one year.

Request is in your packet.

310- Permit Applications:

Roger Lothspeich Violation and new application. The violation is in Custer County. He has applied for a permit in Rosebud County for stabilization of the bank, 580 feet. A copy of the application is in your packet, the application will be addressed at our February meeting after a site visit with FWP, Terracon and the applicant has taken place.

Reserved Water:

Wegmans have submitted an application for reserved water for the additional water that they are now pumping with the larger pump.

2017 report a copy is in your packet.

New Business:

Off Stream storage- Montana Watershed Coalition meeting in Roundup on February 13th at noon. I have been added to the mailing list. They meet every other month and have invited the district to attend.

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Supervisor Elections:

Bobbi has been working with JoAnn Duffield on the schedule for supervisor elections. She was able to find where our district was taken off the list for local district elections and has added us back to the list. 2018- Doug McRae & Dave Davenport are up for election and Jason and Bonnie's appointment through the city of Colstrip will need to be reappointed. JoAnn will send the forms for the election over to me.

Permissive Mill Levy:

The district can request a permissive mill levy to help with the cost of employee health insurance. The marketplace prices on select policies were increased slightly over others. There is a process, and it would keep the cost of benefits from increasing the budget, but still keep insurance available to employees as premiums rise.

Forestry Grants:

Andy Miller is busy putting contracts together for both programs. The EMFR payments will have priority over the FIF due to the project deadline.

Soil Health Initiative: 2018 can you believe it!

No-Till Drill: listing for sale for \$45k. The drill is still up for sale. We have had some interest in the drill.

The new drill will be delivered in mid-January, cost is \$61,600, and how would we like to pay for the drill?

Newsletter: Monica has been doing an excellent job on the newsletter. If you want to see something in the newsletter or write an article, please let her know.

NRCS: Kami Kilwine~ acting DC

Rocky Schwagler: Retiring January 3rd from the NRCS

Retirement party is scheduled for January 20th, at the Country Club in Forsyth. 4pm to 8pm. Food-ideas? Cake? Open to suggestions.

Pot luck for sides, if we have all of the Treasure and Rosebud CD supervisors and employees bring sides, we could ask Lana Hoff to help with the meat?

Bobbi is working with Monica, Jeff Bird and Danae Pinkerton on the party and on a presentation, and Heather Nenninger is working on a plaque.

YRCDC: Don Youngbauer:

Upcoming Events:

Soil Health Workshops, Brendon Rockey, Steve Kenyon, Wendy Taheri, & Derek Axten, Jan 16-19, various locations from around the state.

Billings Jan 18

Miles City Jan 19

Sidney Jan 19

NACD-Nashville this year end of January first week of February

2018 Range Forum- May 9&10 Billings

Montana Range Days-June; 18-20 2018, Red Lodge MT

Monica has updated Calendar and list of events on the website.

Range Committee: Dave Davenport

CBMPA:

Next meeting Agenda:

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Annual Plan

Open Mike Board Members:

7 pm:

Public Comments:

ADJOURN: