

Minutes
Regularly Scheduled Board of Supervisors Meeting
Tuesday, October 11, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Fittje called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m. Also in attendance were Richard Hallingstad – Treasurer, John Bentley – Vice-Chairman, Adam Wyant – NRCS, Shantel King – NRCS, and Lisa Ogden – NCCD.

1. Announcements –

Chairman Fittje asked for any announcements. There were no announcements.

2. Minutes –

The meeting minutes for September 13, 2011, were presented and discussed. Richard Hallingstad moved that we accept the minutes as presented. John Bentley seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed.

3. Unapproved Vouchers/Status of Funds –

The unapproved voucher list was presented and expenses were discussed individually. John Bentley moved that we accept the unapproved voucher list and pay the expenses. Richard Hallingstad seconded. With no further discussion, the motion passed. The status of funds was presented and discussed, and the bank statements and reconciliations were reviewed by the board members present.

4. District Conservationist Update –

Adam Wyant gave the District Conservationist Report as follows:

Week of September 12-16

Annual Leave

Week of September 19-23

Monday, Shantel and I had a preconstruction meeting with [REDACTED] and contractor. Shantel and I attended Economics of Conservation Planning training September 20-22. Thursday, I had vegetative practice spot checks by area staff.

Week of September 26-30

I met with [REDACTED] to discuss EQIP application and side roll for FY12. Thursday, Shantel and I met with [REDACTED] to look at pipeline and tanks for his EQIP contract. Friday, Willow, Shantel, and I met with Colin Tierney from G&F to look at an irrigation structure on Stinking Creek that is about to fail and also potential with Farm Bill Programs for stream restoration on [REDACTED].

Week of September 3-7

Monday received new conference table and put it and the chairs together. Tuesday worked with Lisa on a map for the TMDL tour. Wednesday attended TMDL tour and public meeting.

As always, Shantel and I are working on EQIP contract management, meeting with producers for conservation planning for FY2012 EQIP applications and other programs, PRS reporting for the end of the fiscal year, and other day to day activities.

Shantel

Shantel is working on conservation plans for certification, new applications for various programs, AgLearn trainings, Civil Rights meetings and outreach (Heritage Expo, Women's Expo, and Job Fair at UW).

Upcoming events

Should have remainder of new office furniture delivered by November 3rd
Friday November 11th – Office Closed for Veteran’s Day

5. Grants Update –

Lisa Ogden gave the grants update.

- a. The Kendrick Implementation Grant is finalized and the moneys have been received from DEQ and deposited.
- b. The Board of Agriculture Water Testing Grant is going as scheduled. The September sampling was accomplished on September 29th. Kelly Burch expressed interested in going on the next sampling event.
- c. The Level I Watershed Study Application is to be presented on Nov 3rd at the Oil & Gas Commission here in Casper.
- d. The North Platte River Watershed Project Implementation Plan grant proposal is to be presented to the 319 DEQ Task Force on November 9th in Laramie.

6. District Manager Update –

Lisa Ogden gave the District Manager update.

- a. Lisa assisted with the water sampling portion of the Platte River Revival. The sampling results were entered onto the World-Wide Water Monitoring Website.
- b. The yearly Department of Agriculture requirements for the annual funding are complete other than finishing the Annual Report/Annual Plan, the Legislative Breakfast and the Self Audit. These items will be completed and submitted.
- c. Lisa was unable to attend the Ag & Energy Workshop in Laramie, Wyoming.
- d. The Watershed Tour and TMDL Meeting were successful. There were fourteen attendees at the tour and 20 attendees at the TMDL meeting that evening, including representatives from the federal senator and federal representative’s office, NRCS, DEQ, WWDC, WACD, RESPEC, CAID and the Steering Committee.

7. Old Business

Ms. Ogden discussed the upcoming legislative breakfast and some options as to the breakfast menu. It was discussed to provide a catered meal at a different location to try to increase attendance. The board all agreed to try this. Ms. Ogden will get everything arranged and let everyone know the time, date and location.

8. New Business

Upcoming opportunities were discussed:

- i. The WACD State Conference, November 15-17th in Lander. Ms. Ogden will attend, as will District Conservationist Adam Wyant. Anyone else planning to attend, please let Ms. Ogden know as soon as possible.

The date for the next NCCD board meeting is November 8, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

Chairman Fittje called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Richard Hallingstad moved to adjourn and John Bentley seconded. Hearing no discussion, meeting was adjourned at 7:46 p.m.

Submitted by Lisa Ogden,

Lisa Ogden, NCCD District Manager

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