

MILE HIGH CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MINUTES

February 22, 2016

BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER

BUTTE, MT

Supervisors Present:

Jack Kambich – Chair, John Moodry – Sec/Teas., Pete Dallaserra – Supervisor, Don Ueland – Supervisor, Cam Balentine - Supervisor

Others:

Kris Hugulet – District Administrator, Ted Dodge – WRC, Nancy Sweeney – NRCS, Glen Green – NRCS, Jason Lindstrom – DFW&P, Kellee Anderson – Extension Agent

Minutes:

Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Pete. Don seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Financial Report:

The Board reviewed the financial report and recent bills. John went through the current invoices and grant reimbursements. Pete made a motion to accept the financial report. Cam seconded the motion and the motion carried. John asked the Board what amount in dues they would like to submit to the national organization. Cam made a motion that the District submit \$500.00 for dues. Don seconded the motion and the motion carried. A final invoice was submitted from the WRC for Ted's time. A motion to pay the invoice was submitted by Don and seconded by Pete. This motion carried and closed out the funding for this project.

Business:

310's:

MH-06-15 – James Wierzba – Big Hole River – This application has been on hold and will be reviewed and discussed again at the March meeting.

Grant Updates:

John updated the board on the status of current grants. John stated that they are working on a grant agreement with the Jefferson watershed group for a joint grant agreement. A motion was made by Don and seconded by Cam to allow John to sign an agreement with the Jefferson Watershed Council and pay bills not exceeding \$6,000.00.

WRC Update:

Ted updated the board on the status of the projects that they are currently working on. Ted stated that they are moving forward on fixing grant applications that were submitted and not funded. These applications have been modified and now have committed individuals working on them. These individuals will also be working on the projects and in the project areas should they receive funding during this go round.

Ted stated that the WRC got a little more than a million dollar grant for EQIP projects in this area. NRDP funds were used as match and Ted is proposing that they put funds into the enhancement of instream

flow; Cottonwood Creek; and funding some of the conifer encroachment project as well. Ted is also looking at getting a CREP grant and using NRDP as match for the Upper Clark Fork. A meeting is coming up at the end of this week regarding the initial project area for this grant. Ted is looking at including Granite County with this funding.

New Business:

The dates for the outdoor classroom event have been set for May 2<sup>nd</sup> setup and May 3<sup>rd</sup> event. John has spoken with the Civic Center and it looks like we have secured this site for this event. The plan is to move the event back to the September date and use the outside facility at Ramsay.

Reports:

NRCS Update:

Nancy informed the Board that she and staff are working on several projects and organizing things for the upcoming field season.

Extension:

Kellee updated the board on upcoming Extension events. A calendar of events is available from Kellee if anyone would like one.

Respectfully submitted,  
Kris Hugulet, District Administrator