

MILE HIGH CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MINUTES

April 25, 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, Glen Green – NRCS, Kellee Anderson - Extension

Minutes:

Minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the minutes was made by John. Pete 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. John stated that he is going to transfer funds from the County Account to the regular checking account. Don made a motion to accept the financial report. Cam seconded the motion and the motion carried. JVCD reimbursement for services was received and reviewed and a motion by Cam was made to approve the invoice. Don seconded the motion and the motion carried. An invoice from Ted was received and will be forwarded to DNRC for consideration. John read a letter from Stephanie Hester with DNRC for their consideration. A motion was made by John that this letter be accepted by the District. Pete seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Business:

310's:

MH-06-15 – James Wierzba – Big Hole River – This application has been declared a project and an on-site inspection has been scheduled.

MH-01-16 – Montana Livestock Auction – Silver Bow Creek – This application has been declared a project. **An on-site inspection will be scheduled with Jason on May 9th.**

Grant Updates:

John updated the board on the status of current grants. At this point in time everything is on track and going according to plan. All grants are scheduled to be completed by their due dates.

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. The RCPP application has been approved and \$50,000 will be on the ground soon with that proposal.

Ted stated that they are working on developing burn plans on a couple of properties. This is turning out to be a project that will involve several agencies and will probably require some changes to current legislation.

They are working on a CREP agreement for the Upper Clark Fork River. A workgroup meeting is scheduled for next week.

New Business:

John reminded the Board that the dates for the outdoor classroom event have been set for May 2nd setup and May 3rd event at the Civic Center. It was noted that a Board meeting on setup day will not take place this year. Lunch will be ordered and all that can come for setup will be there.

Reports:

NRCS Update:

Glen updated the Board on the status of EQIP Contracts. Signup is going on and will be done in June. Nancy and Glen have been attending the conifer encroachment meetings and they seem to be going well.

Extension:

Kellee updated the board on upcoming Extension events. A calendar of events is available from Kellee if anyone would like one. This week is Arbor Day and a celebration will be taking place at the Courthouse.

Respectfully submitted,
Kris Hugulet, District Administrator