

**Asotin County Conservation District**

**Thursday – April 11, 2019**

**Board Meeting**

**Taken by: Colleen Ozard**

**Prepared by: Colleen Ozard**

Acting Chairman Keith Ausman called the Board Meeting, held at the District Office, to order at 7:43 p.m.  
Supervisors present: Jerry Hendrickson, Levi Luhn, Jason Schlee, Rod Hostetler

ACCD Staff: Megan Stewart, Colleen Ozard, Jennifer Zipse, Steven Woodley, Amanda Schmidt, Brad Riehle

Guests: Jim Schroeder (NRCS)

**Minutes:**

Review and approve minutes of March 7, 2019 Board Meeting ~ *Levi Luhn moved and Jason Schlee seconded a motion to approve minutes from March 7, 2019 Board Meeting. Motion Carried. 1*

**Financial Reports:**

Board reviewed and approved check register ~ *Jerry Hendrickson moved and Jason Schlee seconded a motion to approve March 2019 ~ checks #14578 to #14625 and #1898 to #1902 and 4 EFT payments (2-941pymts, 2-DCP Contribution payments) Totaling \$144,018.21. Motion Carried. 2*

Board reviewed Accounts Payable, Treasurers Report, Transaction Journal, Compensated Absences, and Grant Voucher Status, Budget.

**Calendars and Events:**

Employee schedules/calendar discussed.

Upcoming Events:

- ✓ WADE – Jerry Hendrickson will attend. Staff attendance will be decided next week.
- ✓ Yellow Starthistle Coordination meeting will be held 4/17 in Anatone - Steve and Jim plan on attending.

**Correspondence:**

WSCC New Director – Carol Smith  
Review of WSCC Quick Notes

**Old Business:** n/a

**New Business:**

SRFB Authorized Application Resolution: Authorizes Megan to act on behalf of District to request funds from RCO. *Rod Hostetler moved and Jerry Hendrickson seconded a motion to approve the SRFB Authorized Applicant Resolution for RCO. Motion Carried. 3*

Grande Ronde & Snake River Assessment – Consultant/Proposal Recommendations: Five proposals were received and reviewed by selection committee. Megan provided overview of ranking. Discussion followed with Board approving Anchor QEA, LLC as chosen consultant. *Jason Schlee moved and Levi Luhn seconded a motion to approve Megan Stewart to work towards securing a contract with Anchor QEA, LLC. Motion Carried. 4*

Category 3 – Manure Management Project List Ranking: Brad, Jennifer, Steve and Megan reviewed and presented to Board. Keith recommended his project be last on list as it was tied with another applicant.

Keith Ausman handed Chair to Levi Luhn

*Jerry Hendrickson moved and Jason Schlee seconded a motion to approve Manure Management ranking as presented, (with Scheibe Farms remaining #2 with full livestock exclusion on the Snake River OR #3 without livestock exclusion and needing to develop a grazing management program). Motion Carried. 5 Keith Ausman abstained*

Levi Luhn returned Chair to Keith Ausman

FY2020 Annual Plan review: *Jerry Hendrickson moved and Jason Schlee seconded a motion to approve FY2020 Annual Plan as presented. Motion Carried. 6*

WSCC End of Year Funding Request with a total limit of \$7,000.00 and up to three requests/items.

Items discussed:

- 1) Manure spreader (mid-size) + accessories + trailer.

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- 2) Storage Shed
- 3) Post Pounder (gas powered)

*Jason Schlee moved and Jerry Hendrickson seconded a motion to approve request for manure spreader to include accessories and trailer. **Motion Carried. 7***

➤ **Cost-Share Applications:**

**Commercial:**

Scheibe Farms – Farmland Conversion 2019-09 ~ *Jerry Hendrickson moved and Rod Hostetler seconded a motion to approve Scheibe Farms – Farmland Conversion 2019-09 as presented. **Motion Carried. 8** Levi Luhn abstained*

Scheibe Farms – Water Development 2019-10 ~ *Jason Schlee moved and Levi Luhn seconded a motion to approve Scheibe Farms – Water Development 2019-10 as presented. **Motion Carried. 9***

Hostetler JV – Pasture/Hayland 2019-11 ~ *Jerry Hendrickson moved and Levi Luhn seconded a motion to approve Hostetler JV – Pasture/Hayland 2019-11 as presented. **Motion Carried. 10** Rod Hostetler abstained*

**Revisions:**

Couse Creek Ranch – CREP Match (2017-33 Revision 2) ~ *Rod Hostetler moved and Jason Schlee seconded a motion to approve Couse Creek Ranch – CREP Match (2017-33 Revision 2) as presented. **Motion Carried. 11***

➤ **Non-Commercial:** n/a

➤ **Conservation Plans:** n/a

**Coordinator's Reports:**

Megan reported: Draft SRFB applications are in, ranking next week. Tour in early June.

Brad reported: Site visits for manure management projects, spring projects preparation (feed lot work).

Steven reported: Ag Stewardship plans, resource assessments, VSP 2-year report due Aug 30, updating contractors list.

**Technician's Reports:**

Jennifer reported: Site visits with Brad on manure management, Bighorn Sheep flyers for outreach.

Amanda reported: A total of 25 CREP & CCRP contracts in implementation status this Spring. Spending time in the field with planting crews for planting projects and signing off on completed projects. Working on Spring maintenance and weed control needs for CREP projects.

**NRCS Report:**

Jim reported: EQIP 2019 and CRP deadlines coming up in May. Angela will be back as full-time employee.

Rod Hostetler commented to keep looking into the larger “commercial” manure spreaders, probably will need “grant funding” for purchase and look into “rental program”.

Jerry Hendrickson commented on discussing meeting hour changes, possibly to 7:00 pm – more discussion to follow on this topic.

**Note:** End of May the Board will accept the Keith Ausman's resignation. Megan would like to advertise to fill the “Elected Position Vacancy” as of 5/10/19 and will “remain open until filled”. Board will review applicants at June 6 Board meeting.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** n/a

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:21p.m. by Chairman Keith Ausman

**Review of Motions:**

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**NEXT BOARD MEETING**

**Thursday – May 9, 2019**

**\*\*7:30 p.m.\*\***

Keith Ausman

CHAIRMAN SIGN

5-9-2019

DATE

Jerry Hendrickson

SUPERVISOR SIGN

5/9/19

DATE