Asotin County Conservation District Thursday – June 6, 2019 Board Meeting

Taken by: Colleen Ozard Prepared by: Colleen Ozard

Acting Chairman Levi Luhn called the Board Meeting, held at the District Office, to order at 7:08 p.m. Supervisors present: Jerry Hendrickson, Jason Schlee, Rod Hostetler

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

Guests: Ray Ledgerwood (WSCC) Jim Schroeder (NRCS), Keith Ausman

Minutes:

Review and approve minutes of May 9, 2019 Board Meeting ~ Jason Schlee moved and Jerry Hendrickson seconded a motion to approve minutes from May 9, 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 May 2019 ~ checks #14682 to #14762 and #1908 to #1912 and 4 EFT pymts (2-941pymts, 2-DCP Contribution pymts)

Totaling \$95.558.91. 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. Jerry Hendrickson will be attending WADE June 10-12, Brad will be attending Soil Field Training June 18-19 and Cultural Resource Training June 25-28
Upcoming Events: n/a

Correspondence:

Ray gave overview of WSCC Quick Notes

Old Rusiness:

Discussion on purchase of manure spreader using WSCC end of year funding available. Jason Schlee moved and Jerry Hendrickson seconded a motion to approve purchase of manure spreader to include trailer and winch. Motion Carried. 3 Megan advised Board that the shed used to house equipment and the small ATV is failing and the District will be in need of a new storage unit soon!

New Business:

Cost-Share Applications:

Commercial:

Nathan Scheibe – Pasture/Hayland Planting 2019-13 ~ Jerry Hendrickson moved and Jason Schlee seconded a motion to approve Nathan Scheibe – Pasture/Hayland Planting as presented. Motion Carried. 4 Levi Luhn abstained.

Ron Scheibe – Upland Tree Planting 2019-14 ~ Jerry Hendrickson moved and Jason Schlee seconded a motion to approve Ron Scheibe – Upland Tree Planting as presented. Motion Carried. 5 Not to exceed District cap of \$2,000.00.

Revisions: n/a

Non-Commercial: n/a Conservation Plans: n/a

CREP Inspection & Maintenance Reports:

Couse Creek Ranch 11029 – Amanda presented overview of inspection and maintenance report. Jason Schlee moved and Jerry Hendrickson seconded a motion to approve Couse Creek Ranch CN 11029 as presented. Motion Carried. 6

- ➤ Grande Ronde/Snake River Assessment Contract Approval. Jerry Hendrickson moved and Jason Schlee seconded a motion to approve Megan Stewart to sign Grande Ronde/Snake River Assessment Contract contingent on review by Enduris. Motion Carried. 7
- Appointment process for Board Vacancy: Review of process for Board Vacancy: Place ad, AF2 Form (verification of applicant), review of applicant, appointment of candidate, notify SCC. Discussion of interview questions. Reference checks will be conducted 6/29/19-07/08/19 and interviews will be held during open public board meeting on 07/11/19.

Coordinator's Reports:

Megan reported: District to enter into small contract (5k of less for each) for 2 instream projects. PALS, BDA and engineered log jams, looking to work with Reed Camp, Cramer Fish Sciences and Stephen Bennet, ELR. Jason Schlee moved and Jerry Hendrickson seconded a motion to approve 2 small contracts as proposed, not to exceed \$5000.00 each. Motion Carried. 8

New Direct Seed program is in the works using DOE funds.

<u>Brad reported</u>: Working on Range Assessments for NRCS task order, planning NRI projects for Bezona and Scheibe. CPDS cleanup, SRFB Tour, participating webinars in preparation of Soil Health Class.

Technician's Reports:

Jennifer reported:

Old Cost Shares, creating landowner questionnaires for Movi testing, Bighorn Sheep meeting on Tuesday with IDFG, WSU Vet. and film crew re: Movi exposure. Friday will be helping test domestic sheep at WSU. Creating monthly newsletters and website updates.

<u>Amanda reported</u>: Field time for completed projects inspections, pictures. Working on CREP inspection reports Cost-Share and maintenance bill reimbursements. Next week working with Conservation Crews pulling White Bryony and installing drip system.

NRCS Report:

Jim: EQIP applications for completion by end of the month. CRP opened for signup; a general signup will be in the winter. No word on CSP yet –planning for a change next year. Jim expressed a warm and generous THANK YOU to Ray Ledgerwood for 32 years of working together – Very rewarding and Ray will be very much missed!

Jerry Hendrickson requested to see some of the drone footage that Brad has been taking.

Ray Ledgerwood acknowledgement to Keith Ausman on what a pleasure it has been to work with him and that he will be missed from the ACCD Board of Supervisors.

Executive Session: 9:04 p.m. for approximately 30 minutes

RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) - To evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment

Board reconvened to open session at 9:34 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT: n/a

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m. by Acting Chairman Levi Luhn

Review of Motions:

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NEXT BOARD MEETING

Thursday - July 11, 2019

7:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN SIGN

SUPERVISOR SIGN

7-11-19 DATE

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