

BUTTE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Board Meeting Minutes for July 21st, 2022
Bottolfson Park, Arco, ID

Board Present: Todd Perkes, Randy Purser, Walt Johnson

Staff Present: Mindy Hawley, Stephanie Barnes

Guests Present: David Callister – UI Extension, Derek Nichols, Jesse Fullmer - NRCS

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Randy Purser at 12:10 p.m.

WQPA Contract: Derek Nichols was present to sign the WQPA contract. Discussion was made about the project details.

Approve Minutes: A motion was made by Walt Johnson to accept the June minutes as written. A second was made by Todd Perkes. Voting Aye: Walt Johnson, Todd Perkes, and Randy Purser. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Approved.**

Treasurer's Report: Todd Perkes provided the monthly treasurer's report and checks to be approved and signed. A motion was made by Todd Perkes to approve the treasurer's report and sign the checks. A second was made by Walt Johnson. Voting Aye: Walt Johnson, Todd Perkes, and Randy Purser. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Approved.**

Monthly Reports:

Butte SWCD Employees and Board: Mindy Hawley gave a report on the Natural Resources Camp. She will be making a display board for the County Fairs. She is also working through old photographs to digitize them. Stephanie Barnes gave an update on the Pence Bridge monitoring,

NRCS: Jesse Fullmer gave an update on NRCS activities. They will not be filling their open positions anytime soon. They are waiting on their new budget to be approved. Discussion was made on candidates interviewed to fill the TA grant position.

Extension: David Callister gave an update on Extension activities. The County Fair is coming up soon. He has been attending trainings on Farmer's Stress Management.

Old Business:

FY 2022-2023 Budget: An advertisement will be placed in the newspaper and the public hearing will be held next month.

TA Grant New Hire Update: Discussion was made and Jesse will contact the top two applicants with some final questions and offer one the position.

New Business:

Financial and Match Report: The financial and match report was presented to the board for approval. A motion was made by to accept the report by Todd Perkes with a second from Walt Johnson. Voting Aye: Walt Johnson, Todd Perkes, and Randy Purser. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Approved.**

IASCD Dues: A motion was made by Todd Perkes with a second by Walt Johnson to pay the FY22-23 annual IASCD dues. Voting Aye: Walt Johnson, Todd Perkes, and Randy Purser. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Approved.**

ICRMP Update: With Dean Moncur retiring, we will need a new insurance agency to handle the District's ICRMP insurance. Discussion was made to wait and see what the County does and perhaps follow suite.

Equipment Purchases: A motion was made by Walt Johnson to purchase an external hard drive for the amount of \$55, a second was provided by Todd Perkes. Voting Aye: Walt Johnson, Todd Perkes, and Randy Purser. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Approved.**

Next Meeting Date: The next board meeting will be held August 16th in Howe after the conservation tour.

A motion was made at 1:15 p.m. by Todd Perkes to adjourn, a second was made by Walt Johnson. Voting Aye: Walt Johnson, Todd Perkes, and Randy Purser. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Approved.**