

**BUTTE SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
**Board Meeting Minutes for November 20, 2020**  
**Butte County Business Center, Arco, Idaho**

**Present:** Randy Purser, Todd Perkes, Hayden Isham, Mark Telford, Walt Johnson, Mindy Hawley, Stephanie Barnes

**Guests Present:** David Callister – University of Idaho Extension

**Via Zoom:** Frances Perkes – Butte SWCD, Rob Sharpnack – ISWCC, Jennie Weathered – Butte SWCD, Jesse Fullmer - NRCS

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by Chairman Randy Purser at 12:28 p.m.

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

**Treasurer's Report:** A motion was made by Todd Perkes to approve the treasurer's report and sign the checks. A second was made by Mark Telford. Voting Aye: Todd Perkes, Randy Purser, Hayden Isham, Mark Telford, Walt Johnson. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Approved.**

**Monthly Reports:**

**BSWCD Employee Reports:** Jennie Weathered provided an update on her work activities for the past month. Her college classes are wrapping up this semester.

Mindy Hawley has attended the planning meetings for the 2021 Envirothon.

Stephanie Barnes provided the board with a copy of the Fall newsletter.

**UI Extension:** David Callister is working on a tree sale for 2021. Extension is offering pesticide recertification classes held via Zoom on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. David will be working from home until January.

**ISWCC:** Rob Sharpnack discussed the upcoming District performance report due December 20<sup>th</sup>. The Butte SWCD will be featured in the ISWCC's newsletter in June 2021. Terri Murrison and Wendy Pratt will be attending one of the District's board meetings in 2021.

**NRCS:** Jesse Fullmer provided an update on NRCS activities. The Arco NRCS field office was awarded a direct hire position for early 2021. They are anticipating another hire sometime in 2021 as well. Chris Merrill is set to retire in December. The office remodel is on hold as more details are worked out. Discussion was made on having the District apply for RCPP funding for a ditch to pipe project in the Little Lost River valley.

**New Business:**

**2021 Board Vacancy Appointments:** Discussion was made on filling empty seats on the board for 2021. Appointments will be made at the January meeting.

**IASCD Comment Request:** A request from the IASCD for comments on how to improve the IASCD/SWCD/ISWCC relationship was requested to be submitted by January. No comments were made during the board meeting.

**Next Meeting Date:** The next meeting will be held on December 17th, 2020 at 6:00p.m. at the Moore Community Center.

A motion to adjourn was made at 1:45 p.m. by Walt Johnson, second by Todd Perkes. Voting Aye: Todd Perkes, Randy Purser, Walt Johnson. Voting Nay: None. **Motion Approved.**

*Hayden Isham and Mark Telford left 1:15 p.m.*