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Regular Supervisor Meeting, 7:00 PM
August 11, 2016, District Office

Present: Supervisors-Jim Simpson, Jack Sutphin, Curt Rosman, Zoe Lilja, Sigurd Jensen, Mark McGuyer; Associate Supervisors-Carlos Rodriques, David Sturman, Toni Burton; Ben Montgomery, DC, NRCS. Kristi D'Agati LCCD/NRCS Big Sky Watershed Corps. Samantha Tappenbeck Resource Specialist MACD. Lita Fonda, Lake County Resident. Heidi Fleury, District Coordinator.

Excused: Susan Gardner

Absent: Dennis DeVries and Dave Rensvold

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Simpson. The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed and approved on a motion by Jack, 2nd Mark. Motion to approve July minutes passed.

Open Mic:
No open mic items

I. SB-310 APPLICATIONS

1. Heidi informed Board that Tim Fox is hoping to contest the need for this project with Lake County. Jim mentioned there are extension and modification forms that will need to be filled out if Tim Fox wins the contention. LA16003, Tim Fox, Johnson Creek, infiltration gallery
 - a. All processes done on our end, just waiting for possible work report.
2. LA16005 Douglas Yeager, Dayton Creek, CLT Bridge (instead of culvert)
 - a. Project previously approved. Permit signed and sent on to FWP and Douglas Yeager. 8/12/16
3. New 310 Application submitted by Ben Montgomery NRCS for the Duckworth Wetland Reserve Easement, Stinger Creek Restoration, stream gauge, flume installation
 - a. Team Report, Curt-Simple project installing stream gauge flumes that will be used for data collection then removed. Ben went over site photos and his installation plan. Project was approved as submitted. Motion Curt, 2nd Sigurd, motion passed. Permit signed,

done and transmitted on to FWP and Ben Montgomery at NRCS 8/12.

II. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Facebook and Website-Heidi and Kristi introduced our new Facebook page! Discussed discontinuing our account with Click Here Designs (our website hosting and service account) Heidi will figure out the specifics of changing over website hosting to a more low cost service now that we have the in house expertise to maintain them ourselves.
- B. Sandbox Project Update-Carlos and Zoe are getting a quote for a metal base for the unit. Kristi and Heidi are finishing up the grant and will be sending it out to Carlos, Zoe and Sam Tappenbeck for additional editing assistance, grant is due Aug 31st. Carlos explained the funding might not be there immediately from the grant so he asked permission to float the costs if we get the grant, board agreed.
- C. LCCD/NRCS Dillon Bus Tour- The bus is almost full. Toni and David will attend on behalf of LCCD. Ben and Heidi will take pictures and write a story for the local paper, website and Facebook after the event.
- D. Swan Resource Management- Jim secured a time to make a presentation to the Blackfoot Challenge on August 17th. He will make a presentation to familiarize people with the project and ask them to cohost an informational event to get the opinion of mainstream environmental agencies. Samantha suggested presenting to Swan Valley Connections as well.

III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Montana Watershed Coordination Council (MWCC) 2016 Watershed Symposium-Funding for Heidi and one supervisor is available from MWCC. Motion to support Heidi's pursuing the MWCC travel assistance for this event and if the funding from MWCC is not enough motion for LCCD to cover the excess cost of the trip made by Sigurd, 2nd by Zoe. Motion passes.
- B. SWCDM Bylaws-SWCDM board has finalized the bylaws and edits are due by September 1st, 2016.
- C. Pollinator Resolution – Motion to send the resolution, as is, to Don McIntyre and then to the area meeting made by Mark, second by Sigurd, motion to send pollinator resolution on to Area meeting passed.
- D. Nominations for SWCDM Director and Board-Due to scope factors the MACD and SWCDM boards have split, this is a brand new board. Does anyone from the LCCD want to be on the SWCDM board? Associate supervisors can be on it as well.
- E. Nominations for MACD Board-No opposition, Jim Simpson remains our nominee.
- F. Water Policy Interim Committee SJ2 Study-404 permit admin-Discussion: We already have one law to administer the 404 permit work could be a

large workload, as it deals with any project that puts sediment in the water. We might not have the expertise to properly administer this permit. There is concern about public perception of the Lake County Conservation District if we did take this over because we are supposed to act as facilitators not regulators. Overall, everyone agrees we don't have enough information to make a good decision. Curt motioned to choose Option 1 (Do not take on 404 permits), Mark 2nd. Vote to adopt Option 1 3 Yes (Zoe, Curt, Mark) 1 No (Jack) 1 abstainer (Sigurd).

- G. Computer Upgrades-Motion to proceed with the transaction to purchase a computer from NRCS for \$1500 and discontinue internet service with Access Montana when the time comes was made by Sigurd, 2nd by Mark. Motion to proceed with transaction as funds permit passed.
- H. Financial report – Carlos-Plan budget committee meeting for Thursday, August 25. Motion made to allow Heidi to take \$200 out of the Glacier Bank account for Petty Cash by Jack, 2nd by Curt, motion to withdraw \$200 for petty cash passes.
- I. Bills-\$64.48 Access Montana, Treasure State Transit \$250.00, MACO Insurance \$1150.00, Click Here Designs \$90.00, Zoe Lilja \$124.19 Total=\$1678.67 Mark made a motion to sign checks and pay bills, Jack 2nd, motion passed to pay bills.

IV. REPORTS

- A. BSWC-Kristi reported that the Sandbox grant is written and will be sent out to all interested parties for editing. Monitoring of the Forage Improvement Study has been happening. She attended two trainings one for the Rolling Rivers Trailer and one on identifying and dealing with cultural resources.
- B. NRCS – Ben requested board support to explore funding for a winter grazing seminar in Missoula in February. We will look for grant opportunities as well as work on soliciting financial support from other Area 5 CD's and Extension offices. The seminar will be indoors and focus on local producers talking about their experiences with breakout sessions, key note speakers and producer panels. Motion for the green light to go ahead and study possibilities. Motion by Mark, Sigurd 2nd motion passed. Second item; Ben has received several calls over the past few weeks inquiring about a no till drill. Ben would like support to begin looking into the options for ownership, rental agreement or partnership with a local dealer/resident to maintain and manage seed drill use. Sigurd made a motion to investigate funding, dealers and private party interests for a No-till seed drill, Curt 2nd, motion passes.
- C. Flathead Basin Commission –Jim-No meeting.
- D. County Planning –Sigurd reported a small lot on the corner of Brouchard and Mink Lane is going to be converted from residential to commercial.
- E. City County Planning – No meeting.

F. Polson Fair Grounds – Aug 25, 26, 27 is the Flathead River Rodeo. Toni asked all to participate in a feasibility study for an events center at the Polson Fairgrounds.

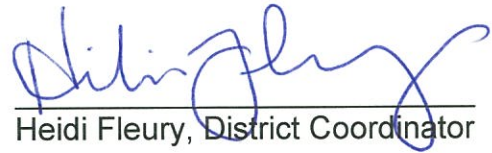
V. CORRESPONDENCE

A. None.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm. Due to the Pivotal Pasture Bus Tour the next meeting for September 8th is rescheduled for Tuesday September 6th at 7pm.



Jim Simpson, Chairman



Heidi Fleury, District Coordinator