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May 16, 2017

Lake County Conservation District Meeting Minutes  
Regular Supervisor Meeting, 6:30 PM Meeting Start  
May 8th, 2017

Present: Supervisors-Jim Simpson, Sigurd Jensen, Zoe Lilja, Carlos Rodriques;  
Associate Supervisors- John (Jack) Sutphin and Lita Fonda. Karli Becher BSWC, Kristi D'Agati LCCD/SWCDM, Ben Montgomery NRCS and Heidi Fleury, District Coordinator.  
Excused: Mark McGuyer, Susan Gardner, Curt Rosman, David Sturman  
Absent: Sam Tappenbeck SWCDM

Chairman Simpson called the Regular Supervisors Meeting to order just after 6:30 pm.

A motion was made to approve April 2017 meeting minutes with approved minor edits was made by Sigurd, second by Carlos, motion passes.

Open Mic:

- Heidi will invite Georgia Smies from CSKT to our June meeting to make a short presentation about where the AIS situation stands on Flathead Lake and surrounding waters.
- Sigurd would like to attend DNRC Range Days June 19-21 in Red Lodge. Heidi will look into the event details and cost.

I. SB-310 APPLICATIONS

- a. Pending submittal—Wallace—Wyman Lake Dam
- b. Pending submittal—Harwood—Emergency 310 Swan Valley

II. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Personnel Committee—Jim called for a meeting to discuss personnel information for Heidi and Kristi. Zoe volunteered to be on the Personnel Committee and the members now include Jim, Sigurd, Curt, Zoe and Carlos. Personnel Committee Meeting is set for Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup> at 10 am at the LCCD office.
- B. Sandbox Project—The Sandbox is up and running!! It debuted to rave reviews at 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Ag Days and we will be going to classrooms soon. There will be a

Sandbox Calibration Workshop on Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> at 12 pm at the LCCD office for all interested board members.

- C. 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Ag Days—Sigurd reported that 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Ag Days, which was held at the Polson Fairgrounds on May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, was a success! Everyone involved enjoyed themselves and we had great weather, great kids and wonderful volunteers. LCCD will send out thank yous ASAP.
- D. Conservation Scholarship—The Education Committee is making progress on the criteria of the scholarship and it will be ready for appointment in Spring of 2018.
- E. No-Till Seed Drill—223 Grant is in. There is A LOT of competition this time around and there is no guarantee that we will be awarded the grant. There was a call to brainstorm other funding sources that could help us if we don't receive the grant.
- F. Pollinator Initiative—84 pollinator plots total, 10 additional site visits planned, 4 schools planted pollinator gardens, 6 classes participated in pollinator presentations, 2 additional schools planned. Very popular so far.
- G. River Stewardship Workshop—Was held on April 22, 2017 at the Swan Community Hall in Bigfork. There were 19 attendees (not including presenters or organizers), and 27 participants overall. Most were private landowners, several from Rainbow Drive. Residents from both Lake and Flathead County attended. The demonstration planting was executed and we will continue to monitor the planting for success.
- H. Swan Resource Management Study –Jim is continuing informational presentations around the community. He has also redrafted the Swan Policy letter and will send around again for additional comment. Heidi sent a digital copy of the comments received so far in the Swan Study to Arlene Montgomery at Friends of the Wild Swan in response to her information request.

### III. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Area V Meeting and MACD Convention—The Area V meeting will be held on 9/26 in Missoula. MACD convention will be held in Bozeman this year on November 14-15. Any new resolutions we hope to pursue need to be drafted and ready by 9/1/2017 and must be approved in the August or September minutes.
- B. Spring Board Meeting/MACDEO Training—Jim will be attending the meeting on June 12-14 in Helena and encouraged any other interested board members to attend. Heidi would like to attend the MACDEO meeting June 14-16 in Helena, the cost will be no more than \$300.00. Zoe made a motion to approve up to \$300 travel for Heidi to attend the training, Carlos 2<sup>nd</sup>, all in favor, motion passes.
- C. Lake County 310 Rules and Regulations—Copies of Lake County CD's originally adopted rules and regulations for implementing the 310 law from 1976 were passed out. Jim asked that we read over them and decide whether they need to be amended or if they are still relevant and legal as is.
- D. Bills—See Financial Report. Motion to accept the financial report and pay the bills was made by Sigurd and 2<sup>nd</sup> by Zoe. All in favor, motion to pay bills passes.

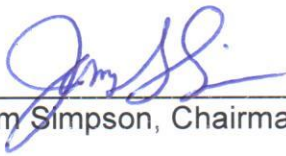
Petty cash is empty. Sigurd made a motion to replenish the fund to \$200.00. Zoe 2<sup>nd</sup>, affirmative vote, motion carries.

#### IV. REPORTS


- A. BSWC—Karli—She is heading to the last BSWC Training of the year in Bozeman. Pollinator Initiative is still buzzing and she and Kristi have started to visit schools.
- B. SWCDM—Sam—Absent
- C. NRCS- Ben—Went over the tentative schedule of LCCD/NRCS summer/fall outreach events.
- D. Flathead Basin- Jim—No meeting.
- E. County Planning—Sigurd—Meeting Wednesday
- F. City-County Planning – Mark—Absent

#### V. CORRESPONDENCE

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm. The June Supervisors' meeting will be held on **Thursday, June 8th at 6:30 pm.**



Jim Simpson, Chairman



Heidi Fleury, District Coordinator