



Grant County Conservation District  
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**Grant County Conservation District  
Monthly Meeting Minutes  
February 11, 2014 – 7:00 PM  
1107 South Juniper Drive, Moses Lake, WA 98837**

**Attendance:**

**Supervisors** – Richard Leitz (Chair), John Preston, Don Underhill, Derek Stevens, Paul Stoker, Glenn Burkholder

**Staff** – Marie Lotz, Lyle Stoltman, Carl Evans, Cindi Harr (Recorder), Kristina Proszek

**Associate Supervisor** – Harold Crose

**5:15 PM Phone** - Dave Stadelman was reached via telephone for a quorum.

**Call Meeting to Order:**

A quorum was established. Richard Leitz, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM.

**Introductions:** Kristina Proszek, new WOW educator was introduced to the board and other employees.

**Approval January 14, 2014 Monthly Board Meeting Minutes:**

Paul Stoker made the motion to approve the January 14, 2014 meeting minutes as presented. Derek Stevens seconded. **Motion Carried.**

**Approval of February 11, 2014 Financial Reports:**

Paul Stoker made the motion to accept the February 11, 2014 financial report which includes financial data from January 24, 2014-February 7, 2014. Checks #6805-6842 totaling \$32, 476.27. Payroll checks #6805-6811 totaling \$8,079.80, and #6822-6827 totaling \$9,513.14 included in the amount above. Glenn Burkholder seconded. **Motion Carried.**

**Reports:**

No Agency representative was present- WSCC and NRCS monthly report summaries were included in the meeting packet.

**6:00 PM-** Dave Stadelman arrived

**6:20 PM** – Boe Clausen arrived

**Old Business:**

**Election** –No election was needed as John Preston was the only incumbent that filed for the position. John Preston will be automatically re-elected.

**New Office-** Staff with the help of supervisor John Preston and Associate Supervisor Harold Crose moved into the new office located at 1107 South Juniper Drive, Moses Lake WA 98837 on January 22, 2014.

**Legislative Days** – John Preston attended Legislative days in Olympia. He stated that the conservation districts had a good turnout of people. In speaking with the Legislators about livestock money it was unsure if any funding would happen this year as it is not a budget year.

**Moses Lake CD History Book** – Marie presented an email to the board she received from Judy Spalding. She shared Judy's thoughts on the district not publishing her book. The board was in agreement it is for the best not to publish this book and is thankful for the work that she has done and has been fully compensated for.



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### **New Business:**

**Schedule 22 & Good Governance Evaluation-** Marie Lotz presented that we need to schedule a time for 2 or more Supervisors to go through the schedule 22 and Good Governance Evaluation process. Glenn Burkholder as the District Auditor one or two others is needed. The Evaluations were scheduled for February 20, 2014 at 9:00 AM. Don Underhill volunteered to come as well.

**State Audit** – Marie Lotz informed the board that the State auditors will be at the District office February 12 – 14, 2014 performing an audit on years 2011 & 2012 for Grant Conservation District, Warden Conservation District, and Moses Lake Conservation District.

**Cost Share-** Lyle Stoltman presented a Category 3 Cost Share request for Pure Eire Dairy in the amount of \$20,975 with 50% Cost Share. Cost Share would be for Heavy Use Area Protection, Lagoon Fencing, Pasture Fencing, Reinforced Concrete Slab, Waster Transfer, and Waste Treatment. Paul Stoker Moved to approve to place Pure Eire Dairy on the Category 3 Cost Share waiting list for the cost share amount of \$20,975. John Preston seconded.

**Motion Carried.**

**District Auditor** – Marie Lotz presented that Glenn Burkholder, Auditor for the board expressed interest in being more involved in understanding the financials of the district. Dave Stadelman made the motion for a resolution that the Board Auditor or if the Auditor is not available another available Supervisor, opens the monthly bank statements and reconciles all Grant County Conservation District bank accounts each month prior to the monthly board meeting. Paul seconded. **Motion Carried. Resolution #021114-3**

**Upcoming Work Shops** – There will be a one day course offered at Big Bend Community College on Habitat and Conservation Practices for Beneficial Insects on Washington Farms. Marie Lotz and Carl Evans are registered. Dave Stadelman asked that he also be registered. NRCS is hosting a Soil Health and Cover Crop forum in Waterville, WA on February 18, 2014. Associate Supervisor Harold Crose will be a presenter. Several supervisors were interested in attending. Harold Crose had several questions regarding the information he will be addressing and will convey the thoughts of the district during his presentation. Boe Clausen shared that the Mid-Columbia Hay Grower Convention will be held at Big Bend Community College on February 19, 2014.

**Regional Envirothon** – Marie Lotz presented that the Regional contest is coming up although she is unsure if the local team from the Quincy high school will be eligible to compete as they were disqualified last year.

**IWM** – Paul Stoker presented that he spoke with the Grant County PUD employees that work with the IWM program. A contract is still not in place. It was highly suggested that Grant County Conservation District seek the help of the PUD commissioners. Marie Lotz will call and get the district put on the agenda for an upcoming commissioner meeting.

**Warden Office** - Boe Clausen asked about cleaning out the Warden office. It was decided that on March 5, 2014 at 9:00 AM Boe Clausen, John Preston, and staff will meet at the Warden office and clean it out.

**District Van** - Paul Stoker moved that grant County Conservation District staff move forward with selling of the district van. Dave Stadelman seconded. **Motion passed.**

### **Conservation Projects:**

Marie Lotz reminded the Supervisors that she will be contacting them to see if they will be Agricultural guides for the Othello Sandhill Crane Festival on Friday march 28 2014 and Saturday March 29, 2014.



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ET Data App Carl Evans reported that he has received a quote on developing an ET data application for smart phones. The quote was \$5,500 for one platform or \$9,500 for two platforms. The board thought this would be too much money spent on information that is already produced in different ways and already being used. The board does not think it would be useful to spend any more time on this subject.

**Landscaper Energy Audits** – Harold Crose presented that the landscape energy audit program is moving right along. He has been working with Carl Evans and training on the audit process. They used Supervisor Dave Stadelman's farm for a trial audit. So far the NRCS has 140 farms signed up in Eastern Washington for the landscape energy audit. Harold is working with the higher ups to get all the paperwork processed as quickly as possible so they can begin working.

Kristina Proszek has been training with Franklin Conservation District on the Water on Wheels and Wheat Week programs and will be working on getting Salmon in the Classroom to our district.

#### **Adjournment:**

Dave Stadelman made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 PM. John Preston seconded. **Motion Carried.**

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Chair Approval

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Recorder Signature

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