



**Grant County Conservation District
Monthly Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2015 – 7:00 PM
1107 South Juniper Drive, Moses Lake, WA 98837**

Attendance:

Supervisors –John Preston, Dave Stadelman, Glenn Burkholder, Dan Roseburg.

Associate Supervisors- Harold Crose

Staff – Marie Lotz, Kelly Wallace (Recorder), Lyle Stoltman

Agency – Erin Kaczmarczyk, NRCS

Guests – None

Call Meeting to Order:

A quorum was established. John Preston, Chairman, called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Public Input

Chairman John Preston asked for any public input. There was none.

Approval November 10, 2015 Monthly Board Meeting Minutes:

Glenn Burkholder made the motion to approve the November 10, 2015 meeting minutes as presented. Dave Stadelman seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Approval of December 8, 2015 Financial Reports:

Marie Lotz presented the financial statements to the Board. Dave Stadelman made the motion to accept December 8, 2015 financial reports as presented. Glenn Burkholder seconded. **Motion Carried.** The following were approved from November 11, 2015 to December 8, 2015; checks #7670-7705 totaling \$27,817.05. Payroll checks #7671-7674 totaling \$7,467.87 and #7682-7686 totaling 9,066.33 included in the total amount.

Agency Reports:

Marie Lotz presented the WSCC District Operations Quick Notes. Marie Lotz has worked on the proposal to present to WSCC at their January meeting regarding continued funding for the district. She asked that all supervisors who are available attend the WSCC meeting in Bremerton on January 21, 2015. Her proposal for IM funding will be (1) \$150,000, (2) 130,000 and (3) \$114,000.

Erin Kaczmarczyk presented the NRCS Report.

Old Business:

Volunteer Stewardship Program (VSP): Marie Lotz reported that she and Harold Crose met with Damien Hooper, Grant County Planning Director on November 16, 2015 before they met with the Grant County Commissioners. They presented a list of agencies that should come to the table to the Grant County Commissioners on November 24, 2015. Marie explained that the County Commissioners have received the letter from the Washington State Conservation Commission and now have 90 days to name a lead agency. The Grant County Commissioners want



to name Grant County Conservation District as their lead agency. Marie hasn't heard from the Adams County Commissioners.

Harold Crose presented a Power Point presentation to the Board explaining the Voluntary Stewardship Program (VSP) in more detail. He explained that the Growth Management Act (GMA) had governed land owners in the past. Now, the Washington State Conservation Commission enacted the Voluntary Stewardship Program which is more prescriptive for each individual land owner. The County's had the option to either 1) opt into the VSP plan or 2) continue under existing GMA to protect critical areas. 28 out of 39 counties in Washington opted in to the VSP program. Dave Stadelman made a motion in support of Grant County Conservation District being the lead agency for Grant County for the Voluntary Stewardship Program if they so choose. Glenn Burkholder seconded. **Motion carried.**

Highway Signs: We still haven't heard back from the Washington State Department of Transportation.

Annual WACD Convention: Marie Lotz reported that John Preston, Dave Stadelman, Richard Leitz, Harold Crose and herself had attended the Annual WACD Convention on November 30 – December 2, 2015 in Spokane. Marie explained that there was an excellent section regarding Rates & Charges. There was a consultant group that worked with King County establishing their Rates & Charges that gave a presentation. Harold Crose suggested inviting the consultant group to come talk to us and see if it would be something we are interested in. Harold also pointed out that for every \$1 we receive, it could bring \$7 into the community with matched funding.

Election: Marie Lotz reminded the Board that the election will be held on February 9, 2016 from 1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Other Old Business:

IWM: Marie met with Rich Cole, Grant County PUD. He explained that they are looking at unlimited acres at \$2.75 per acre for next year. That would mean \$1.85 per acre to the grower.

New Business:

Monthly Board of Supervisor Meetings: Marie made a suggestion to change the times of the December, January and February meetings to 1:00 p.m. Dave Stadelman moved for a Resolution to set the December, January and February monthly Board of Supervisor meetings to 1:00 p.m. Dan Roseburg seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Other New Business:

None.

Adjournment: The Board adjourned at 9:41 PM

Dave Stadelman moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:41 PM. Glenn Burkholder seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Next Board Meeting- January 12, 2016 at 1:00 p.m.

Chair Approval

Recorder Signature

Date

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