



**Grant County Conservation District
Monthly Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2015 – 7:00 PM
1107 South Juniper Drive, Moses Lake, WA 98837**

Attendance:

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

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 September 8, 2015 Monthly Board Meeting Minutes:

Dave Stadelman made the motion to approve the October 13, 2015 meeting minutes as amended. Glenn Burkholder seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Approval of November 10, 2015 Financial Reports:

Marie Lotz presented the financial statements to the Board. Dave Stadelman made the motion to accept November 10, 2015 financial reports as presented. Dan Roseburg seconded. **Motion Carried.** The following were approved from October 14, 2015 to November 10, 2015; checks #7629-7669 totaling \$38,828.50. Payroll checks #7629-7632 totaling \$7,693.44 and #7647-7652 totaling \$8,604.96 included in the total amount.

Agency Reports:

Marie Lotz presented the WSCC District Operations Quick Notes. Marie Lotz is working on the proposal to present to WSCC at their January meeting regarding continued funding for the district. She will present a draft to the Board at the next meeting.

Erin Kaczmarczyk presented the NRCS Report. She pointed out that the next LWG meeting will be November 19, 2015 from 10:00 am. – 3:00 p.m. at the windfarm. Erin requested that we complete the spreadsheet including acres of concerns with project tabs. Blowing dust along I-90 by George was brought up as a concern. Harold Crose suggested adding a half hour on the agenda for "Grant County Resource Concerns". Erin also explained that her office staff is short-handed because 4 people have recently left to take other positions.

Old Business:

Volunteer Stewardship Program (VSP): Marie Lotz reported that Harold Crose, Mark Clark (WSCC), Ron Schultz (WSCC), Mark Booker (East Columbia Irrigation District), and herself met with the Adams County Commissioners to explain the program to them and its importance. There was no representative from Adams County Conservation



District in attendance. Mark Clark and Ron Schultz did an excellent job explaining and answering questions about the program.

Marie also announced that Harold Crose and herself would be meeting with Damien Hooper (Grant County Planning Department) to review who should be in the working group. Then they will be meeting with the Grant County Commissioners on November 24, 2015.

Highway Signs: Kelly Wallace explained that she had heard back from the Washington State Department of Transportation and they are looking into the requirements regarding size, color, and content and will get back to us.

Annual WACD Convention: Marie Lotz reminded the Board that the Annual WACD Convention will be November 30 – December 2, 2015 in Spokane. John Preston, Richard Leitz, Dave Stadelman, Harold Crose and herself will be attending. Richard Leitz made the motion to have Harold Crose, Associate Supervisor, as a voting member at the annual WACD convention. Dan Roseburg seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Unanticipated Discovery Plan: Marie Lotz presented the Unanticipated Discovery Plan to the Board for review. Discussion was held. Glenn Burkholder made a motion to approve the Unanticipated Discovery Plan. Dave Stadelman seconded. **Motion Carried.**

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:

None

New Business:

Lincoln County Conservation District Agreement: Marie Lotz presented the Memorandum of Understanding between Grant County Conservation District and Lincoln County Conservation District to the Board for review. The purpose of the MOU is to recognize and acknowledge activities performed by LCCD across the Grant-Lincoln county boundary in an effort to implement the “Restoration of Artesian and Black Lakes Pilot Project”, evaluating the feasibility of diverting water from the East Low Canal to rehydrate the two lakes as well as assess the rate in which rehydrating the lakes contributes to recharging the Odessa Aquifer. Richard Leitz made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between Grant County Conservation District and Lincoln County Conservation District to implement the “Restoration of Artesian and Black Lakes Pilot Project”. Dave Stadelman seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Foster Creek Conservation District Agreement: Marie Lotz presented the Interlocal Agreement between Foster Creek Conservation District and Grant County Conservation District to the Board for review. The purpose of the Agreement is to formalize FCCD to work with landowners within the GCCD boundaries for the purpose of the Direct Seed Grant through DOE for the dryland producers in the northern part of GCCD boundaries. Richard Leitz made a motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Foster Creek Conservation District and Grant County Conservation District to formalize FCCD to work with landowners within the GCCD boundaries for the purpose of the Direct Seed Grant through DOE for the dryland producers in the northern part of GCCD boundaries. Dave Stadelman seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Othello Sandhill Crane Festival Contribution: Marie Lotz asked the Board if they wanted to make a contribution to the Othello Sandhill Crane Festival. Discussion was held. It was decided that no contribution would be made.



Cost Share – Ron Fitch: Lyle Stoltman presented the completed project to the Board. Mr. Fitch put in a VFD drive pump and accessories for his pasture. Lyle Stoltman asked for approval for final payment in the amount of \$2,600.00. Richard Leitz made a motion to approve final payment to Mr. Ron Fitch for cost share for a VFD drive pump and accessories for his pasture in the amount of \$2,600.00. Glenn Burkholder seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Dairy Plan Revision – Royal Dairy: Lyle Stoltman presented a Dairy Plan Revision for Royal Dairy. Dave Stadelman made a motion to approve the Dairy Plan Revision for Royal Dairy. Glenn Burkholder seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Gilbert Hintz – Manure Complaint: Lyle Stoltman explained that he had been asked by Grant County Commissioner Cindy Carter to investigate a manure complaint regarding an organic farmer. He investigated the complaint and has written a letter with his findings.

Other New Business:

Okanogan County Conservation District – Letter of Support (RCCP Grant): Marie Lotz explained to the Board that Okanogan County Conservation District has applied for a RCCP Grant. They would like a letter of support. Dave Stadelman made a motion to authorize Marie Lotz to write a Letter of Support for Okanogan County Conservation District for the RCCP Grant they are applying for. Dan Roseburg seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Adjournment: The Board adjourned at 9:50 PM
Dave Stadelman moved to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 PM. Dan Roseburg seconded. **Motion Carried.**

Next Board Meeting- December 8, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

Chair Approval

Recorder Signature

Date

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