ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

July 6, 2017

7:00 PM

USDA Service Center, 270 S. Prospect, Forsyth, MT 59327

<u>7:00 PM</u> Meeting called to order by Dave Davenport @7:09 pm.

Board Members Present:

Alan Mereness, Dave Davenport, Jason Brewer, Bonnie Prince, Reg Hoff *Board Members Absent:*

Doug McRae, Don Youngbauer

Others Present:

Monica Boyer, Heather Nenninger, Bobbi Vannattan, Rocky Schwagler *Guests:*

Treasure Report:

End of Fiscal year, available at the meeting.

- Alan moved to accept the treasurer's report,
- Bonnie seconded the motion.
- All in favor and the motion passes.

Meeting Minutes:

June draft minutes in your packet.

- Reg made a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting,
- Jason seconded the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

<u>Expense Vouchers:</u> let me know what you have going on and if you need a reimbursement.

Administrator Report: Report in packet

Admin assistant report: Report available at the meeting

<u>Outreach & Education:</u> Fair is coming and promotional items ordered. A signup sheet will be ready for people to sing up times to man the booth.

Meeting Schedule:

The next regularly scheduled board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 3, 2017.

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Loans:

Bryon Bennet-pivot application\$50k

- Reg made a motion to approve Bryon Bennet's loan application for the amount of \$50k,
- Jason seconded the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

310- Permit Applications:

Reserved Water:

RS-025-YL-Bryon Bennet- still in processing in Miles City with Duane Claypool *New Business:*

North 40 Ag letter of support

They are applying for funds and support from cds for cover crop workshops and related events. A template and email of the request are in your packet.

- Reg made a motion to approve sending a letter of support for North 40 Ag,
- Jason seconded the motion.

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All in favor and the motion passed.

MACD Process document:

Email & document provided in packet

Water Rights letter people have received in the mail:

An email from DNRC with instruction on how to respond and a number to call and email and that we recommend that they wait a couple of weeks because they are currently flooded with calls. They have until June 30th, 2019 to file if they are eligible.

\$130/ claim regardless of whether it is stock water or domestic.

Track filler:

Alan has information for a new track filler

Norwest in Powell, Alan will bring back more information at the next meeting. Soil Health Tour: advertising on the radio the first week of July if we don't get a response from letters sent out to producers who have shown interest and would benefit the most from the tours.

Forestry Grants:

Ready go!

Soil Health Initiative:

No-Till Drill:

Quote for new drill in your packets, and recommendation from David Klanke to order ASAP because there are only a couple of places that build them now.

- Alan made a motion to order a new no-till drill with side markers and open close valve on it,
- Reg second the motion,
- > All in favor and the motion passed.

<u>Newsletter:</u> Monica is doing an excellent job putting this together and she has also done a great job getting some of our articles to the local paper.

NRCS: Rocky Schwagler:

No word on Kami's position being filled yet. Their budget is zero dollars for csp but they have added to Eqip, right now there are 3 range contracts. DEQ-TMDL-Yellowstone River.

YRCDC: Don Youngbauer

Range Committee: Dave Davenport

<u>CBMPA:</u> there is the possibility of 2 more claims with the funding that was acquired. The committee has budgeted for two years, however depending on claims, the program could be completed in one.

The next meeting will be in October or November to see where they are with possible claims, and how to spend the remaining funds or to go after more funding to continue the next biennium.

Employee Reviews: forms in your packet- Board closed meeting will review with Bobbi & Monica after discussing with Doug and Don.

Next meeting Agenda:

Trackfiller

Open Mike Board Members:

Public Comments:

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