

ROSEBUD CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

November 7, 2013

7:00 PM

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

7:00 pm: Meeting called to order by _Steve Lackman , RCD_Vice Chair_ @ 7:45 pm.

Board Members Present:

Don Youngbauer, Dave Davenport, Bonnie Prince, Steve Lackman

Board Members Absent:

Alan Mereness, Doug McRae, Dennis Kenney

Others Present:

Bobbi Vannattan, Rocky Schwagler

Guests:

Treasure Report:

Treasure Report will be available at the meeting.

- Dave made a motion to approve the treasure report,
- Don second the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

Meeting Minutes:

The draft minutes from the September 5, 2013 meeting were in your October packet.

- Dave made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meeting,
- Don second the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

8:00 pm: **Expense Vouchers:**

Keep Bobbi informed of your travel.

Dave CBM mtg

Administrator Report:

Reserved water reports sent out to producers, No-interest loan Billings will be send out on the 15th.

Outreach & Education:

Tentative Days are April 29 through May 1st or May 6th through the 8th, it will depend on what the schools have planned.

Meeting Schedule:

The next regularly scheduled board meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 5th, 2013.

OK

Loans:

Giesicks is almost ready for payment

ROM's:

Byron & Betty Newman

310- Permit Applications:

Reserved Water:

New Business:

- We are hosting the Rosebud Treasure Annual meeting in 2014- its time to start planning and setting up speakers.
 - Soil Health-Range-Bale Grazing- budding- burning grazing-

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- Dave attended the grass fed beef rising workshop in Bismarck in August where Dr. Don Huber did a speech on GMO's. The board would like to see what it would take to get Dr. Huber to do a workshop in 2014.

Dues:

NACD

Don made a motion to pay \$775 for NACD for Dues, Bonnie second and the motion passed.

Soil Health Initiative:

The packets for the 2013 are available for signups-NONE TO DATE
Steve Lackman will get Bobbi his seed tags.

No-Till Drill:

Cover for the Drill-ordered Dave Klanke called the end of September and it is taking longer than expected to get the cover.

Newsletter:

Next Newsletter deadline is extended to November 15 please get articles in before then.

Steve will put together an article on his cover crops and soil health.

YRCDC: Don Youngbauer:

Meeting with COORS to discuss better management of the river. COORS is looking for ways to invest in water. The study is coming to a close and must be completed by July 2015, because it is mandatory to the cumulative effects study they are looking for money to finish. DNRC's Laurie Zeller is helping out and they are looking at how much money is needed to finish the study.

There are concerns that all of the information collected on a voluntary basis will be used to make regulations.

NRCS: Rocky Schwagler:

Soil Health Workshops are coming up

Looking for a producer panel

Governor Bullock Advisory council meets on the 19th of November.

Winter Grazing tour is in Miles city on January 29-30th.

Planign for 2014 EQIP

Lots of pipelines, no farm bill yet.

Range Committee: Dave Davenport

CBMPA: Doug McRae:

Meeting in Sidney on the 13th, and a resolution submitted at the area IV meeting to change the scope of the committee to include other energy resources.

Southeast MT Fuels Reduction Grant: Chris Pilesky & Any Miller:

Chris report available at the meeting. Rucker six contract and a copy of the Contract between Rucker Six and Tricon Timber for the project.

Ten Minute Training:

None

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Next meeting Agenda:

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Options for office space in the event of a government shutdown in January.

Open Mike Board Members:

There was discussion regarding paying the administrator during the government shutdown.

9:00 pm:

- Bonnie made a motion to pay Bobbi during the shutdown,
- Don second the motion,
- All in favor and the motion passed.

Tina from the title company contact Steve at home regarding his title insurance for his No-interest loan. Jane needed to be added to the mortgage before they could issue the policy.

Public Comments:

ADJOURN: Motion by _____ @ _____ PM