

**Powder River Conservation District
 Monthly Board Meeting
 February 13, 2018**

Supervisors Present:

Bill Jones
 Kevin Lund
 Dan Mahoney
 George Renkert
 Wade Curuchet

Others Present:

Anita Bartlett, District Manager
 Allison McKenzie, District Conservationist
 Charlie Bradshaw, Soil Conservationist, NRCS

The regular board meeting was called to order by Board Chair Bill Jones at 6:39 p.m.
 Dan Mahoney moved to accept the minutes from the January 11, 2018 regular Board Meeting.
 George Renkert Second. Motion Carried.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed as follows:

Checking	\$ 335,906.68
Savings	\$ 403,561.58
Petty Cash	\$ 9.03
Liquid Liability Fund	\$ 21.41
Total	\$ 759,498.70

FEBRUARY MONTHLY EXPENSES

<u>Check #</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
7274	Blue Cross Blue Shield of WY	Insurance	\$ 677.94
7275	Blue Cross Blue Shield of WY	VOID	\$ -
7276	Powder River Energy Corp	Utilities	\$ 137.19
7277	Wyoming.com	website	\$ 20.00
7278	WACD	Jan/Feb Dental Insurance	\$ 69.00
7279	Anita M Bartlett	Salary	\$ 1,417.99
7280	Visa		\$ 228.08
7281	CenturyLink	conference line	\$ 124.73
7282	RT Communications	Utilities	\$ 87.52
7283	Anita M Bartlett	mileage	\$ 136.25
7284	Susan Anderson	rent	\$ 443.02
7285	Joyce Black	janitorial	\$ 250.00
7286	Top Office Products	copy charge	\$ 58.28
7287	Kaycee General Store		\$ 19.85
7288	Powder River Energy Corp	Utilities	\$ 186.18
7289	Montana-Dakota Utilities Co	Utilities	\$ 65.71
7290	University of WY Extension	Small Acreage Outreach	\$ 500.00
7291	Barnum Inc.	EWP	\$ 55,596.28
AP	IRS	Tax Deposit	\$ 947.78
7292	Anita M Bartlett	Salary	\$ 1,459.00
	Grand Total		\$ 62,424.80

Kevin Lund moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, reconciliation of the December Savings Account Statement, the January Checking and Savings Account Statements and to accept payment of all bills, Dan Mahoney second. Motion Carried.

BUSINESS:

1. Welcome New Board Member

-The Board welcomed new Board Member Wade Curuchet to the Board. Wade was appointed by the Board of Agriculture on January 17, 2018 to fill the position left vacant by the resignation of Amy Icanberry.

2. EWP Update

-Harold Jarrard Park

-Anita Bartlett presented to the Board the list of items that need to be completed to finalize the HJP EWP project. The Board stated that they wanted Barnum to be aware they would be holding the retainer until the entire project is completed and they would like a timeline on when that will happen. Anita will contact Barnum.

-Anita Bartlett stated that we should have the reimbursement submitted last month by the end of the week. She will also be filing a reimbursement for this month's payment and for the in-kind cost in the next week.

3. Officer Elections

-Anita Bartlett stated that we need to elect officers; Chair, Vice-Chair, and a Secretary/Treasurer for the upcoming year. Wade Curuchet moved to nominate Bill Jones as Chair, George Renkert as Vice-Chair and himself as Secretary/Treasurer. Kevin Lund Second. Motion Carried.

4. Soil Health Workshop Report

-Anita Bartlett stated that 26 people attended the Soil Health Workshop and there was a lot of interest in hosting additional workshops. She also stated that there was interest in soil health in regards to gardening and this would be a good idea for a workshop as well.

5. Board member Terms Expiring/Elections

-Anita Bartlett informed the board that Kevin Lund- 4 year At-Large position, Dan Mahoney-4 year Rural position and Wade Curuchet-2 year Rural position an unfulfilled term, would be up for election this year.

6. 2018 Reorganization Form

-Anita Bartlett passed around the 2018 Reorganization Form to have to Board check their information. George Renkert stated that his email needed to be updated. Anita will get his information updated and send in the form.

7. WCDEA Winter Training

-Anita Bartlett told the board that she had been asked to present at the WCDEA Winter Training on EWP. She would like permission to attend the entire training. Kevin Lund moved to send Anita Bartlett to WCDEA Winter Training to present and attend the other sessions. Dan Mahoney second. Motion Carried.

8. NRCS MOU & Privacy Agreement

-Allison McKenzie reviewed the NRCS MOU & Privacy Agreements with the Board. The board then signed the agreement.

9. Cover Crop Cost Share

-There was considerable discussion on cover crops and developing test plots to test which plants would grow best in our soil types and climates. There was also discussion on opening the Small Cost Share Application process to those who would like to become involved in Cover Crops. George Renkert moved to open the Small Cost Share program up to Cover Crops allowing no more than \$5,000/landowner. Wade Curuchet second. Motion Carried.

10. District Reports

-The District Manager's Report was discussed.

11. NRCS Field Office Report

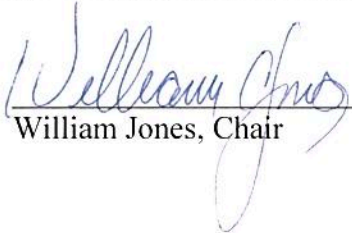
-The NRCS Field Office Report was discussed.

The next regular Board Meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, March 13, 2018 at 6:30pm. Kevin Lund moved to adjourn the meeting, Dan Mahoney Second. Motion carried 8:17 pm.

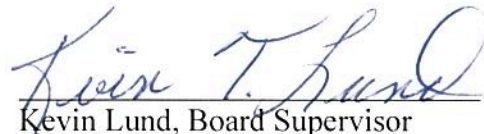
Respectfully Submitted:



Anita M. Bartlett, District Manager



William Jones, Chair



Kevin Lund, Board Supervisor