

**Powder River Conservation District  
 Monthly Board Meeting  
 February 12, 2019**

**Supervisors Present:**

Dan Mahoney  
 Kevin Lund  
 Wade Curuchet  
 Bill Jones  
 George Renkert

**Others Present:**

Anita Bartlett, District Manager  
 Linda Greenough, JC Commissioner  
 Allison McKenzie, District Conservationist

The regular board meeting was called to order by Board Chair Bill Jones at 6:30 p.m.

Wade Curuchet moved to accept the minutes from the January 8, 2019 regular Board Meeting.  
 Kevin Lund Second. Motion Carried.

The Treasurer's Report was reviewed as follows:

Checking	\$ 145,084.63
Savings	\$ 706,471.62
Petty Cash	\$ 5.05
Liquid Liability Fund	\$ 21.79
Total	\$ 851,583.09

**FEBRUARY MONTHLY EXPENSES**

<u>Check #</u>	<u>TO</u>	<u>Memo</u>	<u>Amount</u>
7532	Wyoming.com	website	\$ 20.00
7533	Powder River Energy Corp	utilities	\$ 157.80
7534	Cloud Peak Accounting	Review	\$ 2,800.00
7535	Anita M. Bartlett	Salary	\$ 1,593.90
7536	Visa		\$ 21.83
7537	Susan Anderson	rent	\$ 443.02
7538	Joyce Black	janitorial	\$ 250.00
7539	Jack Schirmer	snow removal	\$ 30.00
7540	Montana-Dakota Utilities Co	utilities	\$ 63.64
7541	RT Communications	utilities	\$ 87.39
7542	Powder River Energy Corp	utilities	\$ 180.18
7543	Blue Cross Blue Shield of WY	Insurance	\$ 705.60
7544	WACD	Watershed Conference reg	\$ 45.00
7545	Green Cover Seed	District Projects	\$ 516.56
AP	IRS	Tax Deposit	\$ 954.78
7546	Anita M. Bartlett	mileage	\$ 87.00
7547	Anita M. Bartlett	Salary	\$ 1,593.91
<b>Grand Total</b>			<b>\$ 9,550.61</b>

George Renkert moved to approve the Treasurer's Report, reconciliation of the December Savings Account Statement, the January Savings and Checking Account Statements and to accept payment of all bills. Wade Curuchet Second. Motion Carried.

## **BUSINESS:**

### **1. Kaycee Flood Project Update**

-Anita Bartlett stated that she, Allison McKenzie and the Town of Kaycee met with Jarrards to discuss the Flood Project. The Jarrards have agreed to allow the NRCS Engineers onto their property to stake out the center line of the flood berm in order to move forward with a public meeting to get final approval from landowners to move forward with the project.

### **2. HJP EWP Update**

-Anita Bartlett informed the board that the JC Road and Bridge Department had been down to remove the pile of dirt from “up top” at the HJP. We will need to get that area seeded this spring. At the time of the board meeting Anita had not heard back on if/when they will be removing the dirt from down below. She will keep the board up to date on this process. As well, Anita attended the HJP Board meeting to arrange for the planting of 6 trees that need to be replaced at HJP.

### **3. Public Records Legislation Update**

-Anita Bartlett presented the amended public records bill that has passed the Senate. The bill will be sent onto the House for approval. The amended bill is much better than the original as we would now have 30 days to comply instead of 7 and the felony charge has been removed.

### **4. Estate Planning Workshop Update**

-Anita Bartlett stated that there where 10 people attend the Estate Planning Workshop. This was a good turnout and all the participants seemed to get a lot out of it. Anita did inquire if any of the attendees would be interested in the Ranch Finance Class and there was only one person interested. At this time, she isn't sure that there is enough interest to warrant holding that class.

### **5. Gardening/Tree Workshop**

-Anita Bartlett informed the board that she has scheduled the Gardening and Landscaping Workshop for Friday, March 8<sup>th</sup> from 1-5 at the Red Wall Community Center. Topic include Bugs and Pest, Garden Soil Health, Wind Breaks & Tree Care, and Xeriscaping & Pollinator plants. Anita has created a flier that will be inserted into the next issue of the Voice and she would like to offer a few door prizes. Her thoughts on that included a compost barrel and a raised flowerbed. Wade Curuchet moved to using a compost barrel and a raised flowerbed as door prizes for the Gardening and Landscaping Workshop. Kevin Lund second. Motion carried.

### **6. WOTUS Webinar**

-Anita Bartlett stated that there is a WOTUS Webinar on Thursday, February 14<sup>th</sup> if anyone would like to come in and listen to it. They will be discussing the proposed updated WOTUS Rule that will be published soon. Linda Greenough asked if Anita would forward the link to her, so she could register for the webinar. Anita said that she would forward the link to her.

**7. SumaGroulx Experiment**

-Dan Mahoney wanted to discuss with the Board the possibility of trying a SumaGroulx Experiment much like we have the no-till-drill experiments. SumaGroulx is a live culture that you spray on to the ground or inoculate your seed with on poor ground that will improve the soil and plant health. Anita handed out some material on Suma Groulx that Allison McKenzie had found. The board wanted time to review the material and asked that this topic be put on the agenda for next month.

**8. District Report**

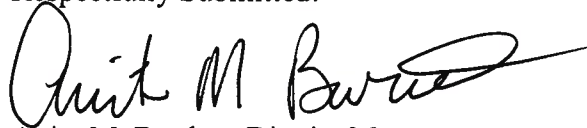
-The District Manager's Report was discussed.

**9. NRCS Field Office Report**

-The NRCS Field Office Report was discussed.

The next regular Board Meeting was scheduled for Tuesday, March 12, 2019 at 6:30pm. Dan Mahoney moved to adjourn the meeting, Kevin Lund Second. Motion carried 7:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:



Anita M. Bartlett, District Manager



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William Jones, Chair



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Wade Curuchet, Secretary/Treasurer