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**MINUTES FROM THE MEETING**  
**April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

The business meeting was called to begin by Chairman Ryan Fieldgrove. Those present included Ryan Fieldgrove, Virgie Watt, Lara Schuman, Jay Foss, Travis Baker Allison McKenzie, Amanda Hulet, Zach Byram and Commissioner Bill Novotny.

Minutes from the March meeting were reviewed. Virgie moved to accept the minutes. Lara seconded. Motion carried. The treasurer's report was read, and Jay moved to pay the outstanding bills. Travis seconded. Motion carried. Please refer to the Treasurer's report for a list of all bills.

The bank statements for March have been reviewed and found to be in order and reconciled.

In old business, tree orders are done. We sold just over 1400 mature trees and 625 seedlings. We expect the trees to arrive early next week. Jay has kindly offered the use of his skid steer to help unload the trees.

The Last Chance Ditch EWP project was updated. There are no final designs yet. Working on state reviewed changes. We need the final designs to finish Army Corps and state permitting. We also need the wetlands determination to finish designs and permitting.

The I-25 Fish passage project is moving along. Zach is finishing up the paperwork for the project and we now have notice to proceed. The project will begin as soon as the contractor is ready.

The WWNRT-HIP Inc, application was approved pending a site visit from the WWNRT board.

The Zezas-SWPP project update was given. Notice to proceed on project has been received. The project will be starting as soon as the contractor is ready.

Field office activity as well as district personnel reports were given.

In new business, Zach and Amanda attended WCDEA winter training in Sheridan. Zach was a speaker for the Urban Round Table discussion and gave a great presentation beside Marlon Winger on cover crops. He was also Area 1 employee of the year. Amanda was elected to secretary of the WCDEA.

Amanda spoke to the Boys and Girls Club projects that are going on. The kids are doing gardening with her assistance and have been having a ball. We are excited to get outside and growing.

Zach discussed a couple of potential projects with the board. One is putting more of the Crown ditch into pipe. This will help at least 3 landowners. A plan is coming. The other project is for drilling another well for stock water. The board decided that the landowner needs better plans for the drilling, a certain carrying capacity for the property and an adequate grazing plan to move forward.

Amanda and Zach discussed the plans for the community garden and the community orchard. We are still in limbo as to the exact location at the fairgrounds, but we do have space for the community and chaos gardens.

The community orchard will be across the street from the boys and girls club. Zach and Amanda are helping with that project by helping remove Russian olive trees and help to plant fruit trees.

Zach let the board know that at our next meeting we will be discussing the FY 21-22 budget.

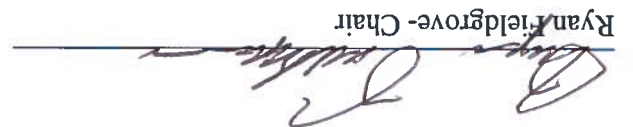
In other business, the board discussed to pay half of the tuition for up to 3 teachers, \$225 total, to attend the Wyoming Game and Fish educator's camp. Virgie made this motion. Lara seconded. Motion carried.

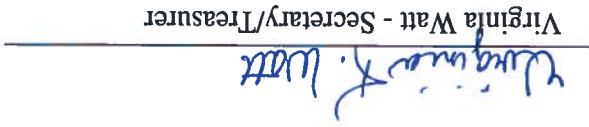
Commissioner Novotny noted that our current UW extension educator is retiring in June and to be thoughtful of what type of educator we would like to have next. The commissioners will be asking members of the community to be on a hiring committee to be able to help select the next educator.

In correspondence, we had a thank you from the Bread of Life Food Pantry for Zach helping with tree removal at the orchard site.

With no further business, Travis moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, May 18<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm.

  
Ryan Fieldgrove - Chair

  
Virginia Watt - Secretary/Treasurer

### Treasurer's Report - April 2021

#### First Northern Bank Business Checking

Total Deposits: \$ 1.57 (Interest), \$ 4,071.15 (Mill Levy), \$ 190.80 (rain barrels), \$439.47 (cover crop seed)

<u>Outstanding Bills:</u>	
1. Range	\$ 50.30
2. Visa	\$ 479.74
3. US Treasury	\$ 2,063.14
4. Lott St LLC	\$ 1,016.67
5. Buffalo Bulletin	\$ 640.00
6. Department of Workforce	\$ 455.89
7. United States Treasury	\$ 34.74
8. Buffalo Bulletin	\$ 45.00
9. Green Cover Seed	\$ 439.47
10. LGLP	\$ 968.00
11. Amanda Hulet	\$ 2,409.88
12. Zach Byram	\$ 4,083.97
13. Wyoming Retirement Sys	\$ 1,571.76
14. Amanda Hulet	\$ 242.78
15. Zach Byram	\$ 117.60
16. Ace Hardware	\$ 47.19

\$ 14,666.13

**TOTAL EXPENSES**

**First Northern Bank Money Sweep Account**

Total Deposits: \$ 2,102.26 (Interest)

**First Northern Bank Money Market Account**

Total Deposits: \$ 20.67 (Interest)

**WYO-STAR I**

Total Deposits: \$ 297.19 (Interest)

Withdrawals: \$ 1,500,000.00 (to WYO-STAR II)

**WYO-STAR II**

Total Deposits: \$ 1,500,000.00 (Opening Deposit)  
\$ 606.24 (Interest)

