

WRC UCF Minutes

August 6, 2019

Public Meeting

Those Present:

Susie Johnson – DLVCD/WRC, John Hollenback – DLVCD/WRC, Rem Mannix – Powell County Commissioner/WRC/landowner, Fred Staedler – WRC, Dan McQueary – Landowner/WRC, Carl Hamming – Powell County Planner, Karen Knudsen – WRC/CFC, Bruce Thomas – WRC/Landowner, John Moodry – WRC/BSB/MHCD, Travis Lemke – NRCS, Casey Hackathorn – TU, Glen Green – WRC and Ted Dodge – WRC.

Agenda:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Hollenback.

Treasurer Report:

- Invoices were reviewed and approved at the previous Board meeting.

Minutes:

- It was moved by Bruce Thomas, seconded by Dan McQueary and motion carried to approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

New Business:

- **Compost Contract:** It was moved by John Moodry, seconded by Bruce Thomas and motion carried to approve the Compost contract and have Chairman John Hollenback sign the contract.
- **Discussion on public comment NRDP Parrot Tailing Issue:** Casey Hackathorn gave an update on the meeting that took place in Butte on the Parrot Tailings. August 22nd is the deadline to get all comments in to NRDP.
- **Discussion on proposed names for the Upper Clark Fork Advisory Council Board Members** was discussed. September 1st nominations are due. Ted brought up that not one landowner sits of this board.

Project Updates:

- **NRDP Deer Lodge North & South** – Fred reported on the Bio Weed project. Bugs were released on Lamberts and Ted Beck property. New releases were on Cline property. We need a new task order for Cline Beaver Mimicry and need a new task order for Project Planning on Deer Lodge North and South.
- **Philipsburg West** NRDP project area – NRDP doesn't want to put a task order in this area.
- **Little Blackfoot River** – not authorized to do work.
- **Browns Gulch** – Webb agreed to let Brothers put in the diversion as designed.
- **Blacktail Creek** – NRDP Jim Ford will be the contact person on this project.

- **Cottonwood Creek** – Landowner agreement was signed by Dan McQueary. The bid package is ready to go out.
- **Flint Creek/Boulder Creek** – not authorized to do work. Will reported that he is monitoring existing past projects.
- **CREP** – (Conservation Reserve Program) FSA – Greg Mullen (NRDP) is going to approach the Governors staff and contact FSA to see what is going on with CREP.
- **RCPP** – Travis Lemke (acting NRCS DC for the Deer Lodge Field Office) did a site visit of the McQueary project. Last Monday Travis, Mark Zuber and Will McDowell went over the EQIP contract.
- **Garnet Terrestrial Proposal** – Fred and Glen met with Dutton’s, Gilman and Graveley’ s on potential projects.
- **Racetrack Creek/Dempsey Creek** – flow project planning and development task order and budget submitted to NRDP. Aquatic project planning and development task order for Racetrack and budget submitted to NRDP.
- **O’Neal Creek** – not moving forward.
- **Gold Creek** – Glen Green will put together all the studies that have been done in the Gold Creek area.

Partner reports were given.

Next meeting September 3, 2019

Submitted by: Susie Johnson, August 26, 2019