May 3, 2022
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
Vince Grant Hall
1306 E Park St. Livingston, MT 59047
11:00 a.m.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Dewitt Dominick, Gayleen Malone, Martin Davis, Dave Haug – Vice Chair, Dustin Homan, Ned Zimmerman – Chair, Jaime Lannen

NON-BOARD MEMBERS: Ashley Lowrey, SVWG/UYWG Watershed Coordinator; Ted Nelson, NRCS; Buddy Drake – FWP.

Ned Zimmerman called the regular Park CD meeting to order at 11:05 AM.

Jamie Lannen, New Supervisor to fill Daryl Stutterheim’s position.
Ned made motion to elect Jamie as new Supervisor, Martin moved the motion, Dave 2nd, motion passed 7-0.
Need to contact Clyde Park Mayor to see if there is any preference on Supervisor elections

Natural Streambed & Land Preservation Act (310) Applications - Discussion:

A. PK-09-22-C: Fridley Creek
Kris Fowles – alleged violation; placement of fences across stream allegedly causing bank erosion, fish blockage.
Inspection revealed no 310 violation. Need to send letter to complainant that no violation was found. Recommendation to raise panels up and out of water.
Dave made a motion that PK-09-22-C is not a violation. Dustin 2nd. Motion passed 7-0.

B. PK-10-22: Cottonwood Creek
Proposed maintenance permit for ditch plug removal and opening of ditch – maintenance of diversion structure(s).
Recommend installing block.
Dave made motion to approve 3-year maintenance permit, Martin 2nd, motion passed 6-0.

C. PK-11-22-C: Shields River
Non-permitted work – a pipe in gravel bar to divert flows to irrigation pump; a NWP from a USACE was obtained, but no 310 permit submitted to PCD.
Inspection revealed pipe is not located or installed correctly.
Considered a violation, need to file a 310 permit of a different design that will work – need to remove pipe and put back in ’natural state’/restore.
Dustin made motion to fine Hayhook ($250). They have 30 days to submit a 310 to remove structure/culvert and return to natural state. Any new plan can be added to 310. After 30 days additional fines will accrue.

Dave 2nd.
Motion passed 7-0.

Burke Ranch follow up and update: Dewitt talked to current landowners about ongoing violation, landowner said they would take the appropriate action about passing on the information.

June meeting – review Dewitt’s letter to County attorney re Burke.

Is there a toll or mechanism to pass violation with the land and not the landowner?

Law says impoundment of any water has to have a right.

NRCS Update – Ted Nelson
Snow-pack improving

Minutes Approval – April 5, 2022 Minutes
Dave made motion to approve April 2022 minutes
Martin 2nd
Motion passed 7-0

Treasurer’s Report and Financial Items
Dustin made motion to approve financials and checks, Dave 2nd, motion passed 7-0.

A. Approval of Checks and Financial Reports.
B. Checks – Vince Grant Hall ($40), Matt’s Meats ($104), Ben Kaden ($315.00), Payroll, Mt Dept of Admin ($75) Forest Service?
C. MACD Annual Fee?
D. MACO Insurance
E. First Interstate Bank Account
F. Ashley’s pay increase

Dustin made motion to increase Ashley CD wage from $22 - $24/Hr and Ashleys Grant Wage from $25 to $27/hr., Janie 2nd, motion passed 7-0.

G. Ashley’s new computer - ordered
H. Balance sheets, profit and loss
I. MT State Report – submitted, waiting to hear back about fees

New Business

A. District Operations - Forest Service meeting, grant, check
Ashley will email Karen to follow up on payment and next steps.
Gayleen will withdraw $5000 from First Interstate Bank and deposit at Bank of Rockies account, then will write a check to Forest Service for $16,750.

Jaime made motion to transfer $5000 from First Interstate Bank to Bank of the Rockies, Dustin 2nd, motion passed 7-0.
Ned made motion pending paperwork completed, Gayleen can close First Interstate account and transfer remaining balance to BOR. Dave 2nd, motion passed 7-0.

Jamie made motion to write $16750 to the Forest Service, Gayleen 2nd, motion passed 7-0.

Planning & Development Board Update—Dustin Homan
Affordable housing discussions.

Watershed Business
Upper Yellowstone Watershed Group
  • Last meeting: February 17th, Emigrant
  • Next meeting: May 26, Emigrant
Shields Valley Watershed Group
  • Last meeting: November 15th, Wilsall
  • Next meeting: June 6, Wilsall

Public Comment

Adjourn 2:25pm