

**Ferry Conservation District
Special Board Meeting
USDA Conference Room
December 11, 2013**

Supervisors Present

Lee Hall, Chair
Charlotte Coombes, Supervisor
Dave Konz, Supervisor
Marc Keith, Vice Chair.....

Others Present

Lloyd Odell, Staff
Brad Miller, Ferry County Commissioner
Gretchen Plate, Staff
Larry Brewer, Regional WSCC

CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Lee Hall called the meeting to order at 5.48 p.m.

AGENDA REVIEW

CONSENT AGENDA: Meeting minutes from October 23 2013. Warrants to pay 1001-1007 and DC and EFT's . Charlotte Coombes moved to approve consent agenda. Marc Keith Seconded. Motion carried.

SUMMARY OF MOTIONS/AGREEMENTS

- Approval of Consent Agenda and AP
- Motion to Approve election resolution 1
- Motion to Approve 2014 proposed Budget
- Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

GUEST REPORTS:

Brad Miller Ferry County Commissioner: Brad gave information on the Eastern WA Council of Governments and said that Ferry County was a member and he was actively working on getting more counties to become members. This membership is dealing with the Columbia River Treaty between Canada and the United States. Discussion ensued.

He presented and update on RCWP (fire protection plan) and Brad has asked to be one of the group of people who will be choosing a contractor who will work on updating the RCWP plan.

Lee Hall said he had talked to Roylene Rides at the Door at Suncadia and she said that between \$300,000 and \$500,000 dollars has been allocated for Ferry County in the RCWP program.

Larry Brewer, Regional Manager WSCC: Larry went into great detail on several issues the Commission is dealing with and will need to vote on in January.

He mentioned that the Commission wants to document some of the great projects the CD's are doing to present to the legislature.

District Manager Report; Lloyd Odell: Lloyd mentioned the DOE is wanting to adopt new buffer widths, which would be considerably wider than the existing ones.

He reported on the WACD All-Districts Meeting November 7, in Ellensburg. The meeting was dealing with a request from the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission that the Conservation Commission adopt federal government riparian standards set by NOAA. Discussion ensued.

After the meeting WACD drafted a resolution asking the Commission and NRCS to “neither support nor accept” extended riparian buffers as a condition for federal funding This resolution passed.

He reported briefly on the WACD Annual meeting at the Suncadia Resort.

Maia Bellon, WDOE Director gave a speech on site-specific approaches to water quality and said DOE had not made any decisions on the future of riparian buffers widths would be.

Lloyd said he had submitted FY2015 centennial Clean Water Fund Grant Application. This would be for water quality improvement in the Kettle River and Sanpoil watersheds.

Other Topics: Gretchen informed the board that due to unforeseen circumstances, Nikki Wimpari will be moving to Arizona at the end of the month. We have decided not to fill her position at this time.

Old Business; 2014 Budget: Marc Keith moved and Dave Konz Seconded to approve the 2014 budget. .

2014 Election: Motion to hold the 2014 election on March 26, 2014 and to appoint Gretchen as the Election Supervisor. Marc Keith moved and Dave Konz Seconded. Motion passed

New Business Long Range Plan; Larry mention the board that the District’s Long Range plan needs updating.

Motion to adjourn

Lee Hall adjourned the meeting at 7:27 p.m...

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Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted this 22nd day of January, 2014.

APPROVED

Gretchen Plate, FCD Staff

Board Supervisor