

**Ferry Conservation District
Board Meeting
USDA Conference Room
September 26, 2018**

Supervisors Present

Eric Bracken, Chair
Charlotte Coombes, Auditor
Scott Palmer, Supervisor
Dave Hedrick, Supervisor
Dave Konz, Vice Chair

Others Present

Patrice Beckwith, USDA-NRCS
Bill Chamberlin, Staff
Lloyd Odell, District Manager
Dixie Moore, Guest
Candy Lammon, Staff

CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Eric Bracken, called the meeting to order 5:35 pm

➤ **AGENDA REVIEW:**

- **Consent Agenda:** Charlotte Coombs moved to approve the consent agenda, Dave Konz, seconded. Motion carried.
- **Meeting Minutes:** Charlotte Coombes moved to approve the Meeting minutes for August 29, 2018, Dave Hedrick, seconded. Motion carried.
- **Treasure's Report and Accounts Payable:** Dave Hedrick moved to approve the Treasure's Report and Accounts Payable for the month of August 2018, Scott Palmer seconded. Motion carried.
- **Warrants and EFT's paid:** Charlotte Coombes moved to approve warrants 2287-2300, in the total amount of \$7,565.05 and EFT's of \$2,186.68, for the month of August/September 2018, Scott Palmer, seconded. Motion carried.
- **Supervisor's Reports:**
 - Eric Bracken; None
 - Charlotte Coombes; None.
 - Dave Konz; None.
 - Dave Hedrick; Forest Coalition Forest plan is out for review & objections.
 - Scott Palmer; Thanks to Bill Chamberlin for finding information about what is needed to install the Hydro-electric turbines, permit wise. Local gentlemen Bill Scott making and selling them.

➤ **Executive Session:** None.

➤ **GUEST REPORTS:**

- **Patrice Beckwith, USDA-NRCS;** *FSA update from Celeste Acord, County Executive Director. Working towards approving 5 agreements with producers for flood damage in Ferry County. MFP program will provide payments to eligible producers of soybeans, sorghum, corn, wheat, cotton, dairy, hogs shelled almonds, and fresh sweet cherries. This program directly supports commodities impacted by trade tariffs. Based on 2018 actual production, evidence is required. Ferry County records indicate 3 producers are growing wheat in 2018 & 1 cherry producer. Wheat paid at rate of \$0.14/bushel, cherries at rate of \$0.16/lb. January 15, 2019 last day to apply. * NRCS, drug free workplace, the District already has an agreement in place which includes this plus, Justice for all, with a complaint process for

producers and employees. Assistance for different languages, sexual harassment policy and equal opportunities.

- **District Manager Report: Lloyd Odell**, *Greenhouse/Model Farm Project, the shell to the greenhouse is up and finished, still needs interior furnishings. The well is drilled & ready for the pump installation. The access road has been graveled, and usable. Need to modify the access point from the Highway. PUD has scheduled the power installation for next week. Once done the electrician can wire the facility. *NRI fencing project, Lloyd has tentatively found a replacement to use the funds. *VSP, On September 28th the State Technical Advisory Panel will conduct their first review of the Ferry County's VSP work plan. Lloyd will attend via Webinar. Final review is scheduled for October 26th. The VSP work group requests that Lloyd stays on as the VSP coordinator. *Conservation Commission Budget Request Package, summary sheets included. Looking for letters of support from the Supervisors. *NE Area meeting October 17th, in Pend Oreille, Dave Hedrick would like to attend, will need to know by the 10th if any other Supervisor's would like to attend. *WACD annual meeting is in Kennewick on November 26-28th. Good to have a Supervisor to attend to speak for the District. * Last note John Floyd was in a bad bike accident in North Dakota. He is on the mend, plans to return sometime in mid-January.
- **New Business:** 1) Set Special Board meeting date for November/December combined meeting On December 12, 2018.
2) Dave Hedrick would like to attend the NE area meeting on Oct 17th in Pend Oreille.
3) Still checking with other Conservation District about medical and retirement options.
4) No decision from Dave Konz on Re-Election.
- **Public Comment:** BPW group holding a candidate's forum at the Republic elementary gym, everyone is invited to attend.
- **Summary of Motions/Agreements/Resolution.**
 - Motion to approve Consent Agenda. Charlotte Coombes moved for approval, Dave Konz seconded. Motion approved.
 - Motion to approve Meeting Minutes from August 29, 2018. Charlotte Coombes moved for approval, Dave Hedrick seconded. Motion approved.
 - Motion to approve Treasure report and Accounts Payable for August 2018. Dave Hedrick moved for approval, Scott Palmer seconded. Motion approved.
 - Motion to approve Warrants and EFT's for August/September 2018. Charlotte Coombes moved for approval, Scott Palmer seconded. Motion approved.
 - Motion to set Special meeting date for Nov/Dec for December 12, 2018. Charlotte Coombes moved for approval, Scott Palmer seconded. Motion approved.
- **Chair Eric Bracken adjourned the meeting at 6:55 pm**

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Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted this 24th of October 2018


Candy Lammon, FCD Staff

APPROVED

Board Supervisor