

JENNIFER JENSON, CHAIRMAN DEVIN BOEHME JAMES HARDCASTLE TODD LLOYD MARK PARKER

Bear Lake Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting Agenda for August 2, 2021, at 1 PM Bear Lake County Extension Office, Board Room

Present: Mark Parker, Jennifer Jenson, Devin Boehme, Chris Banks, Brandee Wells, (Larry Mickelson)

Welcome: Jennifer welcomed everyone to the meeting

Prayer: Larry gave the prayer

Minutes: The board went over the minutes from the June meeting. Larry saw that George had talked about NWQI/SWPA and Larry discussed what he knew about it.

Mark made a motion to accept the minutes. Devin 2nd

Financial report/bills: Devin made a motion to accept the Financial Report with the addition of \$2500 to the Debit card. Mark 2nd the motion.

Agency reports

NRCS: See attached report. Larry also informed us that the Local Workgroup meeting will be in October. We will meet with the Caribou District and pick 7 resource concerns.

FSA: Brandee had talked with Kathy and informed the board of the new FLP program and that where our county is in the drought status CRP can be grazed 75% with no charge.

Bear Lake County Commission: Rex had let Brandee know that the County commissioners were having a special meeting and he wouldn't make our meeting.

Bear Lake County Weed Department: None

ISWCC: George was not able to make it to the meeting but had sent some notes to Brandee. George sent his information to her in an email.

Engineering – readvertising for Allan's position and it will be posted at additional jobsearch sites. Bill Lillibridge is coming to SE Idaho for the week of Aug 9th to survey and look at projects with Chris and myself and provide me with some equipment training so I can help out some more.

Bear Lake SWCD

Administrator – Delwyne is Acting Administrator, I believe the hiring/applicate list has been narrowed down to 6 by Commissioners/hiring committee and interviews will occur in the coming month and we will likely have a new administrator in Sept.

District Survey - If you get a chance, please completed the short survey questionnaire and send it in. (attached).

Financial & Match Report – Due Aug. 16

Brandee said that she is just waiting on a couple of match papers to come back in. The board took a few minutes to fill in the survey. Brandee will send it in.

Grant updates

District Manager: Brandee Informed the board that the fuels reduction program has stopped mowing and is doing all work by hand in the canyon there. They will start up again in the fall in conditions allow. Brandee also said that she forgot to so the board Chris's invoices during the financial report. Make made a motion to pay Chris' invoices. Devin 2nd the motion. Motion carried.

Conservation Basics, LLC: See Attached report. As a side noted Chris wanted to remind the board that our project on Mark's project is to the fence and we won't pay on anything that happens after the fence. Chris said that he had talked to Mark about this a few months back so all of us our on the same page. Brandee asked Chris if he had talked to Alice Hayes yet and he said no. Brandee will send the phone number to him and he will call her to see if she wants to follow through on the project or not.

Fair Ideas: Brandee asked the board if they had any ideas for the fair booth this year. Anything that will bring people in. Jennifer said maybe a forest to have the kids walk through. Chris said maybe something with recycling where that is the theme for the Envirothon net year. Brandee said that she would get the sign up sheet out too.

Annual Tour/Cooperator of the Year: Ideas: September 10?? September 10 doesn't look like it will work. There was a discussion on dates. It was decided to do it on September 24th at 10 AM.

Executive Session: §67-2345 (a) (b): None

Adjournment: Devin made a motion to Adjourn.

Next Meeting: September 24, 2021 after the tour and dinner.