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**Bear Lake Soil and Water Board Meeting
February 4, 2019 @ 12:00 P.M. @ Montpelier Service Center**

Present: Jennifer Jenson, Devin Boehme, Mark Parker, Todd Lloyd, Larry Mickelsen, Les Nunn,
Brandee Wells, Cooper Jensen, Allan Johnson

Welcome: Jennifer Jenson 12:07 PM

Prayer: Larry Mickelsen

Agency Reports:

FSA: Kathy told the board that the next furlough could happen on Feb. 15. Larry said that this next furlough will affect NRCS. Kathy had one CRP contract that had a name change to Dan Kelsey. She needed a signature on it.

NRCS: See the attached report.

Annual Civil Rights & Equal Opportunity Review: Larry told the board about the Review and told them it is a review to do every year. The district should be held to the same standards as NRCS because we share a building with them. Larry talked about the 1964 Civil Rights. He also talked to them about guarantee fairness to all patrons. We should look for opportunities for minorities to serve on the board. The USDA is a zero tolerance for harassment. Larry asked if there were any questions on the review and then had them all sign it. Larry told the board that ECC projects are due March 8.

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Commissioners: None

Extension: Les told the board about some High Tunnel classes that are coming up and some gardening ones too. He is hoping to help those that have built High Tunnels and those who are interested in learning about them.

Weed Control: None

ISWCC: Allan brought Teuscher's plans for their project. He told the board that the plans are to NRCS standards. Allan told the board that Legislative meetings are this month. Allan talked to the board about the new project tracker program and that he is excited about it. Allan told them that he would help Brandee get a log in and help will help her enter information in for the TA requests. He said that when we enter pictures of projects in, we can't put where the project is or whose land it is one. This is

privacy. Allan said that he would call Brandee and work on Eileen's CPM survey. Then Brandee asked if he wanted the board's opinion on it and they answered the survey.

Conservation Basics: Chris had emailed his report to Brandee and Allan. Allan reported for Chris. Allan said that he and Chris are planning on coming over with Regan on Friday to talk to Boehme's about their project. Chris did want it brought up this meeting that if the producers have any questions, they should be sent to himself or Allan. Chris is also working on getting bird ladders in on past projects. See attached sheet. Chris wanted the Board to know that we have the Bennington Creek Diversion and Stabilization Grant.

Kathy brought up that Bill Robinson had called and talked to her about the Neuffer project. He told her that he thought he had to pay more than he would of, so he just did the project. Kathy told them that he is still worried about the canal and would maybe need more help on that. The board and Allan had a discussion and said that they could reevaluate to see the needs if they do decide to help with a 2nd part of the river.

District: Brandee told the board that there is a meeting in April with the HOA for the mowing for fuels reduction. She told them that the school day went well.

Tree Sales: The board would like to do flyers in every paper again like last year. Brandee said that she will have them out in the next couple of weeks.

Five Year/Annual Work Plan:

Executive Session §74-2061 (a) & (b): Todd made a motion to go into Executive session. Mark 2nd the motion.

Devin made a motion to come out of executive session. Mark 2nd the motion.

Minutes/Financial Reports: The board went over the minutes from the last meeting and the financial statement from the last month. James moved to accept the minutes and the financial statements from the last month and add \$1000 to the Debit card. Devin 2nd the motion. Motion passed.

Next Meeting: March 4 @ 1PM and if the Government is shut down then hold it in the County Fire station. The next meeting after March will be April 8 at 1.

Jennifer told the board about the FFA Appreciation Dinner on Feb. 20 at 5 PM for all past FFA members and community farmers.

Adjournment: Todd made a motion to Adjourn. Mark 2nd the motion. Motion Passes

End Time: 3:15 PM