

Bear Lake County Soil and Water Conservation District Board Meeting September 10, 2020 at Allinger Park

Welcome:

Leave for first site.....	5:10
Dutch Canyon Fuels Reduction Project.....	5:45
Leave for next project (Gruing).....	6:15
Gruing High Tunnel (NRCS).....	6:30
Leave for next project (Parker).....	6:50
Parker Project Site.....	7:10
Leave for next site (Montpelier).....	7:40
Montpelier Irrigation Lined Ditch.....	8:00
Leave for dinner.....	8:10
Dinner at Allinger Park.....	8:15

Present at the tour: Mark and Melany Parker, James and Shannon +2, Jennifer and Quinn Jenson, Todd Lloyd, Devin, Missy, Denise, Garth, Tyson Boehme, Brandee and Blake Wells, Sabrina and Bryce Thompson +1, Kathy and Kent Bunn, Larry Mickelsen, Allan Johnson, Chris Banks, Lynn and Rowleen Keetch Cooper Jensen, RC Hymas, Mike Derricott, Gary Hymas, Tyler Hymas



Prayer: Steven Smith

Business portion of Meeting: Present: Mark Parker, Todd Lloyd, Jennifer Jenson, James Hardcastle, Devin Boehme, Chris Banks, Allan Johnson, Brandee Wells

Time: 9:05

Minutes & Financial Reports/Bills: The Board went over the minutes and the financial report. Mark made a motion to accept the reports. Devin 2nd the motion. Motion Carried.

Agency Reports:

NRCS: None (See attached paper)

FSA: None

Bear Lake County Commissioner: None

Bear Lake County Weed Control: None

Bear Lake County Extension: None

Grant Updates:

Conservation Basics: Chris said that he can request the money for the new grant now that it has been approved. (Bear Lake Water Improvement grant). The board said to switch the account name of the Thomas Fork bank account to the Bear Lake Water Improvement account. Chris said that he will start having meetings with landowners. There was a discussion on how things are going between some of the landowners and the surrounding landowners. Chris had had a conversation with Rhett for the Bennington Irrigation and that there are still a few landowners to meet with. Jennifer said that she will get the information for that landowner so we can call them. Chris said that they had a Zoom meeting with the St. Charles Irrigation and the Mickelson's were on it. Ryan Hillard also was on the meeting. Chris said that he feels like there was some headway made, but there is still some work to do. If the landowners won't let us through their land, then there is another project not far from here that we can work on. We are working with Sage Brush Step for help with the easement. St. Charles Irrigation wants this part of the creek done.

ISWCC: Allan talked about the first round of checks that will be coming to all the districts from Franklin County from the settlement. He talked about how there will still be a 15% hold back for the money next year. This will affect some benefits.

District: Brandee told the board that Tyre will be here on Sept. 21. She asked Mark if he would like to come look at the project with Tyre and her. Mark said just to let him know and he

will try. She said that George wants to do a Partner/Project Finder for our district. Allan helped explain this idea to the board. It should help partnering districts find another for help on projects.

Meetings:

Division Meeting: October 21 place to be determined. Sounds like there will be about 2 board members going.

IASCD 2018 Annual Conference: November 10-13, 2020 at the Burley Inn Convention Center. The board will look to see if they can go.

Executive Sessions §74-2061 (A)(B): None

Next Meeting: October 13, 2020 at Place to be determined.

Adjournment: Mark made a motion to adjourn. Todd 2nd the motion. Motion carried. 10:10 PM