SOUTH DOUGLAS CONSERVATION DISTRICT SUPERVISORS' MEETING March 2, 2020

Meeting was called to order 11:00 a.m. Present were Eileen Bone, Jeff Rock, Carolyn Kelly, Lindsey Morrison, Carol Cowling, Bob Nansel – NRCS, Cindi Tonasket, Nolan Brewer – DNR, Kirk Beckendorf – Cascadia CD, Sarah Troutman – NRCS, Jill Thompson – Waterville Mayor

February meeting minutes were approved. **Motion**: Lindsey/Eileen/passed Financial statements and bills to be paid submitted. **Motion**: Lindsey/Eileen/Passed. (V 4337—4342 = \$ 5908.92)

New Business

Nolan Brewer and Cindi Tonasket – DNR, spoke about wildfire in the shrub steppe. There is grant funding, often 50/50 State and Federal to pay for thinning, pruning, slash and brush removal, normally at cost/acre. They can do a visual assessment of the land involved.

The Town of Waterville is interested in updating their Forest Management Plan. Jill Thompson would like to do a commercial logging of about 100 acres on Badger Mntn, for thinning and to control beetle damage.

The DNR grant can also be used to develop defensible space on Badger Mntn. Other topics included chipping program SDCD is currently providing, and possible weed control along fence lines. The CWPP, needing updating, still has very good information of problem areas and possible projects.

Kirk Beckendorf – Cascadia CD, is the educator we are sharing with Cascadia. He has been involved in Wheat Week, and other projects South Douglas CD schools. He is working on our Native Planting 101, which will be March 7. About 60 people have registered. He has had contact with someone in SD that has a project below East Wenatchee. He will contact them so they can fill out the Cost Share Application.

Justin Grillo and Eileen Bone both have cost share projects that will need Ryan Roberts, our engineer come out and take a look.

NRCS Report – Bob discussed the Civil Right Policy with the Board. The Local Working Group has been discussing projects based on priority watersheds. Guidelines need to be developed. Reviewed the cooperative agreement with NRCS. No changes need to be made.

WCC Report – Reviewed the WCC Quick Notes

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VSP Update –Discussion of the budget. Several line items need clarification. The quorum requirements were discussed with clarification that the working group members need to be Douglas County residents. The five year Monitoring report will be due soon.

CWMA update – Ryan Lefler, coordinator, is providing information to the task force. Meetings as needed.

Tree Sale – April 4.

Newsletter was very helpful in getting the Native Planting 101, Tree Sale, and upcoming chipping in May outreach.

South Douglas Conservation District Annual Plan draft plan developed.

Meeting Adjourned 2:44 p.m.	
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