

SOUTH DOUGLAS CONSERVATION DISTRICT
SUPERVISORS' MEETING
June 6, 2016

Meeting was called to order 7:00 p.m. Present were Jeff Rock, Eddie Greer, Linda Daling, Neil Irmer, Carol Cowling, Scott Scroggie-NRCS. Mike Baden – WCC. **Quorum present**

May meeting minutes were approved. **Motion:** Jeff/Linda/ Passed.
Financial statements and bills to be paid submitted. **Motion:** Jeff/Linda/Passed. (V 3255-3260 = \$2606.93)

NRCS Report –Scott gave the NRCS update. Working on task orders for Wildfire, Climate Change dollars, air quality, fuels reduction. They may no longer be using the storage shed – will let us know.

WCC Report – Firewise Funding available – apply on line. (applied) June 22 – CPDS meeting in Ellensburg – Carol will attend if possible. Mike spoke about the need for testimonials from cooperators to emphasize the need for Conservation Districts. And to show that voluntary participation does work!

Mike emphasized the need for Terry Besel to take the open public meetings act training on line. Jeff or Carol will contact him to see what his plans are as supervisor.

Old Business

WCC Capital Grant – Gibson Draw. Cultural Resources need further refinement. Will contact Kim Lancaster for cultural resources and Fish & Wildlife to go out and look at project.

Foster Creek/South Douglas MOU – further discussion. Supervisors will review for next meeting.

Neil Irmer asked if we could extend the deadline for him to complete the fencing project he applied for cost share. WCC does not allow us to extend beyond the fiscal year. Motion to move the project for approval into next fiscal year. **Motion:** Jeff/Linda/passed.

Website Update – Up and running. Needs refinement, but information is available.

New Business

Joe Sprauer submitted a request for cost share for his third round of building terraces in his dryland fields. \$9200 requested. **Motion:** Jeff/Linda/passed.

Due in part to Irmer's project not being completed and other projects under the projected costs, we will cost share at 75%. **Motion:** Linda/Jeff/passed.

The cost share program we have for soil testing will be expanded to allow for tissue sampling.

Newsletter articles being compiled. Jeff suggested an article on the pros/cons of no till. South Douglas is gathering the articles.

A new program, Vets on the Farm, has been developed by Spokane Conservation District. It is a program that partners veterans with agriculture to allow veterans to get into the ag field – whether as farmers, sales, mechanics, etc. There will be a session at WADE. Eileen Bone, a Waterville veteran and potential supervisor, will go with Carol to see if it can work in Douglas County.

Next meeting will be July 11, as the first Monday is July 4.

Meeting Adjourned 8:50 p.m.

Auditor

Recorder