

**Minutes of Board January 12, 2022**  
**7:00 p.m.**  
**Star Valley Conservation District Office**  
**61 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Ave. Afton, WY 83110**

**Regular Meeting**

Rollin Gardner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. In attendance were Rollin Gardner, Jeff Johnson, Harv Erickson, Kay Lynn Nield and Adam Clark.

**Minutes:** Minutes were reviewed for 2021. Motion to approve minutes for 2021 mad by Harve Erickson, seconded by Jeff Johnson. Motion carried.

**Financials:** Bank Statements were reviewed

**Agency Updates NRCS:**

Adam Clark gave the agency update. NRCS is going to Covid restrictions of no visitors in the office and no traveling for personnel. The NRCS is looking at applications for pivots, pipeline replacement, high tunnels, wells, easements, and range contracts. There are five contracts from last year to renew. Pipeline to pipeline replacement will be approved. NRCS is looking to hire program specialists that will work on easements.

**Unfinished Business:**

- BTNF
  - SVCD is working with the USFS to set up the remaining monitoring for the 2022 field season. The match for the RHAP grants that the USFS will meet will need to be done during this field season. We will schedule a week to get this done. We will need to apply for an extension to our RHAP grants.
  - ESD development is continuing with the USFS, Teton CD, Sublette CD, Teton CD and NRCS. We have had meeting to work on structure of ESD and putting data into VGS software.
- No till drill
  - The drill is stored at Nick Aullman's in the Lower Valley. He has covered storage. He will mechanic the drill for us in exchange for using the drill.
- Greys River Forest Collaborative:
  - Meeting was Monday, December 13<sup>th</sup> at the Afton Civic Center. Shane Crook and Kay Lynn Nield attended the meeting for SVCD. Chuck Butterfield organized the pods and lined out the structure of the collaborative to everyone. The groups will meet throughout the next 3 months and come back to the collaborative with projects that they would like to put forward.
- Water Quality Grant/Lower Swift Creek Restoration
  - Trout Unlimited has final numbers together for the Lower Swift Creek project. It has come in over budget. NRCS, Game and Fish, and Trout Unlimited have come up with extra money and are asking if we can do the same. I checked with WDA, and we can reallocate \$3000 from the Water Quality Grant without asking for an amendment. Motion was made by Jeff Johnson and seconded by Harv Erickson to move \$3000 from water quality grant to the Lower Swift Creek project. Motion carried.
- Level 1 Watershed Study Greys River Hoback
  - No word from the engineer yet on what progress has been made.
- Land Use Plan

- We have petitioned the WDA for an extension on our land use plan. It is due April 1. There is a 45-day comment period and open house and then it will need approved by the board.
- Level 1 Watershed Study Salt River
  - Level One1 Study for Salt River is due March 2022
- Annual Reports
  - Annual Reports are submitted to WDA and WACD.
  
- Motion to adjourn by Harv Erickson  
Adjourned at 8:00 p.m.