

**Minutes of Board May 9, 2018**  
**7:30 p.m.**  
**Star Valley Conservation District Office**  
**PO Box 216, 61 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Afton WY 83110**

NRCS/SVCD Local Workgroup Meeting was held at 7:00 pm.

Roger Coles called the board meeting to order at 7:45 p.m. In attendance were Roger Coles, Rollin Gardner, Jeff Johnson, Harve Erickson, Shane Crook, Gary Blazejewski, and Kay Lynn Nield.

**Minutes:** Minutes for April and May will be approved at the June board meeting.

**Financials:** Vouchers and credit card statements were reviewed. Bank Statements for April 2018 were reviewed. Motion to pay vouchers and approve the financials was made by Jeff Johnson, seconded by Shane Crook, motion passed. Vouchers approved for payment are listed below:

Voucher Number	Vendor	Amount	Voucher Number	Vendor	Amount
3885	Quality Pump and Drilling	8134.15	3895	Point S	44.66
3886	Void	Void	3896	Silverstar	90.81
3887	Void	Void	3897	SVI Media	19.00
3888	Blue Cross Blue Shield	1170.55			
3889	Ryan Merritt	1143.96			
3890	Kay Lynn Nield	799.45			
3891	Kay Lynn Nield	910.11			
3892	Kay Lynn Nield	436.36			
3893	EFTPS	381.16			
3894	First Bank Card	1233.91			

**Agency Updates: NRCS**

- NRCS local workgroup meeting was held at 7pm before the board meeting. Gary Blazejewski will have meeting minutes available at the next board meeting. SVCD ranked the NRCS priorities for Star Valley for Gary to take to the state meeting.
- All projects benefiting more than one producer will have to have an application by all producers. Projects funded by the NRCS can now only benefit 100% agriculture lands. This specifically applies to Dry Creek and Cottonwood Irrigation projects. They each have subdivisions within the districts that use the water and now won't qualify for assistance.

- All NRCS funding is on hold for 45 days.

### **Agency Updates: Extension**

- Cattle A.I. workshop May 24 and 31 Afton Civic Center 6-8pm and June 19-20 Lincoln County Fairgrounds, Afton 4-8 pm

### **Unfinished Business:**

- 319 Updates
  - Merritt/Draney/Anglesey/Nelson project: Kay Lynn finished the billing for the Ryan Merritt project. SVCD signed a contract with Bruce Edwards to complete the Anglesey well on this project. NRCS is working with Ryan Merritt on corral fencing.
  - Billing is complete on Ryan Merritt project.
  - Jim Gerrish Grazing Workshop scheduled for June 22-23, 2018.
  - Kay Lynn Nield has been talking with Jennifer Zygmunt with Wyoming DEQ about amending our SAP/TMDL/319 grant funding. SVCD would re-allocate the funds used for the shallow well drilling to go to septic cost share program because SVCD was unable to obtain landowner permission in the Auburn target area. SVCD would also amend the BMP's in the 319 grants to add additional off stream watering projects and well drilling projects. Jennifer didn't think this would be an issue. We will amend in the summer.
- Water Testing will be starting soon. Kay Lynn Nield is ordering supplies for the season. Kay Lynn Nield attended Water Quality Training in Lander, Wyoming April 24-27. The level II and III training modules were passed and WACD will conduct a field audit in June.
- Greys River Forest Collaborative meeting was held April 13, 2018. The meeting went much better as far as keeping on task and moving through the information. SVCD had wanted to simplify our involvement, but that won't be happening. SVCD will attend the Snake/Salt update meeting to look at possible funding sources for the collaborative. SVCD will also host a July meeting with various groups for funding sources for the collaborative projects. The collaborative will also be working on a watershed scale plan to identify projects that different user groups can partner on.
- RHAP Big Greys and Strawberry/Dry Creek. Kay Lynn Nield is working on final reports
- Water Quality grant for Spring Creek is complete. Kay Lynn Nield is working on final report.
- RHAP grants for Fred Robert's sheep allotments: Kay Lynn Nield is working with Brad Jacobsen, range specialist on the Greys River Ranger District, on the application.
- Etna Tree Project: Jeff Johnson has completed the project with the help of Swift Creek High School students.
- Procurement Rule: Sublette County has purchased a new pickup using website that WACD has set up for bidding on conservation district projects. This worked well and should be up and running for all districts to use as we set our procurement rules in place. SVCD will initiate the rule making process later in the summer.
- Computer/Software/Website: The new computers/software and website are up and running. [www.starvalleycd.org](http://www.starvalleycd.org)
- No till drill update: Randy Hruska has a no-till drill for sale. NRCS has grant funding available for a no till drill we will apply for this in the next round of funding in the spring of 2019.
- Summer Intern: Kay Lynn Nield will not have a summer intern this year for water testing.
- Water Quality Grant: SVCD will apply for water quality grants through WACD with the USFS for Dry Creek and Randy Ritter allotments.

**New Business:**

- Subdivision Reviews/Conditional Use Permits:
  - i. Kevin and Eko Paul
  - ii. Diane Miller
  - iii. Darren Dunn (Conditional Use Permit)
  - iv. David and Krislynn Schultz
  - v. David and Julie Rich
  - vi. WJW Holdings
  - vii. Reeves Farm

Motion to approve subdivision review/conditional use permit made by Harve Erickson, seconded by Jeff Johnson. Motion carried.

- Star Valley Community Health and Safety Expo May 10, 2018

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm