

**Minutes of Board December 12, 2019**  
**11:30 a.m.**  
**Star Valley Conservation District Office**  
**PO Box 216, 61 E. 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Afton WY 83110**

**Regular Board Meeting**

Rollin Gardner called the regular meeting to order at 11:30 a.m. In attendance were Rollin Gardner, Shane Crook, Harve Erickson, Cole Helm and Kay Lynn Nield.

**Minutes:** Minutes for October 2019 were reviewed. Motion to approve the minutes was made by Harve Erickson, and seconded by Shane Crook, motion carried. There was no meeting in November 2019.

**Financials:** Credit card statements were reviewed. Bank Statements for October and November 2019 were reviewed. Motion to approve financials made by Harve Erickson, seconded by Shane Crook, motion carried. Jeff Johnson completed the Department of Audit Internal Evaluation Worksheet that SVCD completes each year. F-32 and budgets are into the Department of Audit.

**Agency Updates NRCS**

NRCS still doesn't have an application deadline—however the sooner applications come in the more time Janessa Julson has for planning.

Announcements from NACD show the new farm bill will allow irrigation districts to apply for EQIP funding.

- The Area Conservationist and Janessa Julson are planning to have a local workshop sometime in January (hopefully after the farm bill rules come out) and discuss with interested irrigation districts on how this process will work.
- If there are any irrigation districts interested in applying for the FY20 funding, the sooner they can get their applications, the better.
- Janessa Julson will keep the CD and Irrigation Districts informed as more information becomes available.

**Agency Updates: Extension-none**

**Unfinished Business:**

- 319 Updates
  - Merritt/Draney/Anglesey/Nelson project
    - Rob Anglesey has the well finished. He will send pictures and billing.
  - Synoptic Studies: Will move forward to Spring
  - Lance Bateman/Perk Perkins
    - Fencing is finished. Pictures are sent in. SVCD will bill the 319
  - Billing is ongoing
- BT-Vacant Allotments/RHAP
  - RHAP Blind Bull-Deadman-Grizzly Basin

- Met with Brad Jacobsen and went over existing monitoring that is on the allotment. We started the monitoring plan.
  - RHAP Blind Trail-Stewart
    - Department of Ag will meet in December 9<sup>th</sup> for approval. We will start on this grant after it's approved.
  - Harve Erickson attended the public lands pre-meeting at the Wyoming Stock Growers Association winter meeting December 9<sup>th</sup> in Casper, Wyoming. There were representatives from the Bridger Teton National Forest at the meeting. Vacant allotments were discussed, and the BT is moving forward with monitoring to re-issue the permits. The BT said they have to complete monitoring to re-issue and can't re-issue even though there are permittees interested. This is a way to put off re-issue for some time. There isn't anything in FS manuals that say NEPA needs done to re-issue for the same species and numbers.
- No-Till Drill
  - Still waiting on sales tax determination.
- Greys River Forest Collaborative:
  - Kay Lynn attended CPNR in Laramie on Dec 3-6, 2019. We covered public meeting skills and methods and public speaking.
  - The Forest Collaborative met on November 14, 2019. We discussed Grover Park and what to do moving forward. There will be a public meeting to get ideas from people on what they would like to see in the area.
  - SVCD will work on filling vacancies on the steering committee and collaborative. We will update the charter and come up with a yearly plan of work. It isn't uncommon after meeting for 2 + years to reset the collaborative.
- Mediation training will be in Jackson on Oct 22-25. Kay Lynn won't attend this.
- WACD winter meeting. Rollin Gardner attended the meeting. SVCD received the \$16,000 grant from WNRT to use on the Larry Nield/Max Merritt project.
- Kay Lynn didn't attend the grants management training because the Forest Collaborative meeting was scheduled for that same day.

### **New Business**

- **Subdivision Reviews/Conditional Use Permits:** Motion to approve by Shane Crook, seconded by Cole Helm, motion carried.
  - C Vigne Holdings
  - Solitude Subdivision
  - Kendall Jenkins
  - Jonathan Parker
- Local Government Liability Pool ballot. Motion to vote for Chris Meeks by Harve Erickson, seconded by Cole Helm, motion carried.
- Easement Release for Beverly Miller property in Etna. This is easements from the 1980's that show up every once in a while. Cole Helm signed the notarized release for SVCD.
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**Meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.**

	Vendor	Amount	Voucher Number	Vendor	Amount
4173	First Bankcard	74.59			
4174	Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wy	1803.23			
4175	Wyoming Department of Ag	75.00			
4176	Miles CPA	677.73			
4177	Silverstar	100.77			
4178	VSP of Wyoming	18.69			
4179	Kay Lynn Nield	567.95			
4180	Kay Lynn Nield	936.49			
4181	Wyoming Retirement System	290.37			
4182	Kay Lynn Nield	280.77			
4183	EFTPS	271.79			
4184	Kay Lynn Nield	800.62			
4185	Blue Cross Blue Shield of Wy	1803.23			
4186	CNA Surety	515.70			
4187	Kay Lynn Nield	484.84			
4188	Miles CPA	107.73			
4189	First Bank Card	491.15			
4190	Silverstar	98.61			