

STILLWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

USDA Office Conference Room Columbus MT

August 7, 2018 @ 7:00PM

Meeting called to order by Bob Van Oosten at 7:05pm

Supervisors Present: Bob Van Oosten, Corky Kem, Butch Behrent, Rob Fink and Will Downs

Supervisors Absent: Steve Story, and Noel Keogh

Others Present: Sharon Flemetis, Garrett Larson, and Keri Bilbo

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Butch Behrent moved to approve the July 10th SCD Board Meeting Minutes. Will Downs seconded. Motion carried.

FINANICAL REPORTS

Rod Fink moved to pay bill as stated in the Financial Report including the PayneWest\$1,783.00 and MACDEO \$25.00
Butch Behrent seconded. Motion Carried.

PREVIOUS REPORTS

Garrett Larson, NRCS – gave a presentation to the board on RMS Planning.

REPORTS

Butch Behrent- Reminder about the annual SVWC event on 11th & 12th.

Garrett Larson- On July 8th NRCS had 2 interns that came and helped for the day. NRCS is working on 8 applications on CSP program

Keri Bilbo- Informed the board about Tom Watson’s new role as State Conservationist for NRCS. Keri also wanted the SCD to know if we needed anything to let her know.

Public Comment (3 Minute Limit)

310 APPLICATIONS AND COMPLAINTS

APPL. #	Name	Stream	Project	Received
18E-014	Leo McDonnell	Yellowstone River	Bank Stabilization	4/30/2018
Waiting on inspection				
18-018r1	David Carse	Stillwater River	culvert replacement	6/5/2018
Travis West attended and explained the project to the board. Will Downs moved to make 18-018r1 a project. Corky Kem second. Motion Carried. Butch Behrent moved to approve the project with modification. Will Downs seconded. Motion Carried.				
18-019	Montana Rail Link	Allen Creek	Complaint Culvert put in	7/9/2018
Will Downs moved to make 18-019 a project. Butch Behrent second. Motion Carried. Will Downs moved to approve the project with modification and to extend the project timeline to 2 years for completion. Corky Kem seconded. Motion Carried.				
18-023C	Donald Hutson	Jackstone Creek	Remove bridge install Culvert	6/11/2018
Corky Kem moved to acknowledge the complaint 18-023c and recorded it to be a violation with the SCD justification 310 law. Rod Fink second. Motion Carried. Motion Carried. Application 18-031 is in relation to this complaint. Rod Fink moves to send Letter to Mr. Darham and his contractor in regards to the Montana 310 law.				
18-024	David Russell	Prairie Creek		
Will Downs moved to make 18-024 a project. Corky Kem second. Motion Carried. Will Downs moved to approve the project with modification that are on Ext A. Corky Kem seconded. Motion Carried.				
18-025	David Russell	Prairie Creek		
Corky Kem moved to make 18-025 a project. Will Downs second. Motion Carried. Corky Kem moved to approve the project with modification. Rod Fink seconded. Motion Carried.				
18-026	David Russell	Prairie Creek		
Corky Kem moved to make 18-026 a project. Butch Behrent second. Motion Carried. Corky Kem moved to approve the project as is. Rod Fink seconded. Motion Carried.				

18-027E	Butch Behrent	Shane Creek	removal of culvert	7/25/2018
Corky Kem moved to approve 18-027E emergency. Will Downs second. Motion Carried.				
18-028	Butch Behrent	Shane Creek	New culvert put in	7/25/2018
Will Downs moved to make 18-028 a project. Rod Fink second. Motion Carried. Corky Kem moved to approve the project as is. Will Downs seconded. Motion Carried.				
18-029	Murphy Mills	West Rosebud	Channel Alteration	7/30/2018
Will Downs moved to make 18-029 a project. Rod Fink second. Motion Carried. Butch Behrent moved to approve the project as is. Corky Kem seconded. Motion Carried.				
18-030	Terry Gaustad	Shane Creek	Bank Stabilization	7/31/2018
Corky Kem moved to make 18-030 a project. Will Downs second. Motion Carried. Will Downs moved to approve the project with modification. Rod Fink seconded. Motion Carried.				
18-031	John Darham	Jackstone Creek	See 18-23c Complaint	7/16/2018
Will Downs moved to table 18-031 application for the next schedule meeting. Butch Behrent second. Motion Carried.				
18-032	Thomas Kessler	Countryman Crk	Culvert replacement	8/1/18
Butch Behrent moved to make 18-032 a project. Corky Kem second. Motion Carried. Rod Fink moved to approve the project as is. Corky Kem seconded. Motion Carried.				
18-033E	Jim Bill Anderson	Stillwater River	Log Jam	8/2/18
Will be on the schedule for inspection day.				

OLD BUSINESS

Grant Updates

* RRGL – Yanzick/Brey Riddle – Invoice sent, waiting on first payment

* 223 Grant - Lower Stillwater Assessment – completed waiting on deposit of funds. Then will have a check ready to send to SVWC

* Education Mini Grant – completed waiting on deposit of funds

* Application for FY2019 Administration Grant- Grant approved and awarded for lower amount.

NEW BUSINESS

Montana Conservation Garden Project- NRCS grant opportunity for up to 7000.00 to do 2 projects. 1st project is for the community garden in Columbus. 2nd project is for pollinator garden at the USDA office parking lot. Butch

SAVE THE DATE:

Next Stillwater Conservation District Board Meeting- **September 4th**

2018 Montana Range Tour, Sidney MT **Sept 5th & 6th**

Area 4 Hosted by Lower Musselshell CD – Roundup, MT **Sept 17th**

Stillwater Valley Watershed Council

August 11 - Annual BBQ & Auction fundraiser (location TBD)

August 12 - Annual Stillwater River float & weed pull

Meeting adjourned @ 9:17pm

Approved on _____.