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REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

November 4, 2020

Supervisors Present:

Marvin Rehbein, Doug King, Ron Warren, Jerry Hamel

Others Present:

Elena Marrinan, ESCD; Jason Blakney, FWP (via phone)

Meeting called to order at 5:34 pm by Chairman Rehbein

Meeting Agenda items not always taken in the order they appear.

Minutes

- Motion to accept October Minutes as written by Doug; 2nd by Ron; motion carried

Financial Report

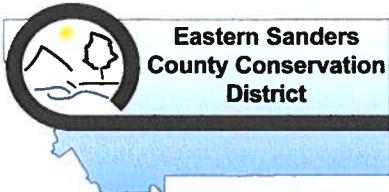
- October 7th – November 4th Financial Report was reviewed by the Board
- Motion to approve financial report as submitted by Ron; 2nd by Marvin; motion carried

Unfinished Business

- 310 Permit Applications
 - G. Rehbein
 - Mr. Rehbein submitted drawings to accompany his application, however the board still had a couple of questions with regards to slope and length. Tabled application.
 - Bergstrom
 - Motion was made by Ron to deny this application as incomplete. Mr. Bergstrom has not submitted the District with plans to complete the application; 2nd by Doug; motion carried.
- ESCD 310 Guidelines
 - The supervisors were given the guidelines from Green Mountain Conservation District and Avista with regards to docks and boat launches for review and to make sure there is continuity throughout the county. The administrator will draft a document for Eastern Sanders to be reviewed at the next meeting

New Business

- 310 Permit Applications
 - No New Applications.
- 310 Complaint



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- Jason and Don completed a site visit on October 21st. Jason explained that the four foot ditch was dug from a natural spring across Mr. Noel's property and another property to Mr. Gannerelli's property. The spring is not attached to Swamp Creek and is not a flowing body of water, therefore not under the 310 jurisdiction. Mr. Noel will be in contact with the Army Corp of Engineers, if they deem this a flowing body of water ESCD will revisit the site to make the appropriate action.
- Montana Association of Conservation District (MACD) Annual Convention
 - The annual MACD Convention will be held via Zoom November 18th and 19th. At least one Supervisor is needed to attend to vote on the Resolutions being discussed. A motion was made by Ron appointing John as the voting Supervisor, 2nd by Marvin; motion carried.
 - The Resolutions were reviewed and voted on, John will vote as such at convention:
 - 20-01: yes; 20-02: yes; 20-03: yes; 20-04: yes; 20-05: yes; 20-06: yes; 20-07: abstain

Public Discussion:

- None.

Natural Resources Conservation Services (NRCS) Report, Dillon Martini via email

- November 17th is the deadline for EQIP and CSP applications. There are currently two TIPs being funded in Sanders County; 1) cover crop and 2) Aspen Regeneration on the reservation.

Fish Wildlife Parks (FWP) Report, Jason Blakney

- General rifle season opened Saturday, October 24. The hunter check station on the west side of Thompson Falls will be a CWD check station this fall and will be open from 11 am-dusk on the weekends and as well as on Mondays throughout. Hunter can drop off their samples or have them collected by staff at the check station. For question call (406) 752-5501 or visit fwp.mt.gov/cwd.
- MFWP collected and released about 290 Westslope Cutthroat Trout into several miles of excellent tributary habitat above a waterfall in Bear Creek in the Thompson River drainage in late September. Donor streams were first tested for fish pathogens, aquatic invasive species and all translocated fish were genetically tested prior to release. USFS staff assisted with packing the fish into their new home. This effort is part of a larger 5-year project to conserve local genetic stocks as many are in danger of being lost to hybridization or being replaced/displaced by non-native trout species.

A motion to adjourn at 6:05 pm by Jerry, 2nd by Ron, meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted
Elena Marrinan, Administrator

Approved:

Don J Feit