

# Bonner Soil & Water Conservation District

## Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

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Date: Monday, December 11, 2006  
Time: 5:30 p.m.  
Place: Slate's Restaurant

Attendance: Herman Collins, BSWCD                      Jamie Davis, IASCD  
                 Vern Hollett, BSWCD                      Gary Parker, IASCD  
                 Dale Van Stone, BSWCD                      Linda O'Hare, BSWCD  
                 Alice Wallace, BSWCD                      Kate Wilson, Lakes Commission, Guest  
                 Greg Becker, NRCS DC

Absent: Ray Delay, Supervisor; Fairy Delay, Associate; Ed Nurmi, Associate;  
Lang Baker, Associate

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Herman Collins. Herman welcomed Kate Wilson as our guest.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Alice moved to approve the November 2006 minutes as presented. Vern seconded the motion. *The motion carried.*

### **Financial Report:**

Herman reviewed the financial records for November 2006; Alice moved they be approved. Dale seconded the motion. *The motion carried.* Dale moved and Vern seconded the motion to pay the following bills: Petty Cash \$39.40; Linda's Conference Airfare & Per diem \$541.28; Boundary SCD for Linda's conference room & mileage to Spokane \$105.19; Supervisors 2006 mileage Alice \$186.06, Ray 140.62, Herman 250.09, Dale 222.50, Vern 244.75; APEX for 319 \$12,880; Blasko Project – Fitzpatrick \$20,000, Pile King \$4,400.27, Broadway Splicing \$2,215.40; and Full Circle Design for Memorial Field \$2,210. *The motion carried.*

### **AGENCY REPORTS**

**NRCS:** Greg Becker reported as follows:

- Pack River Flooding: requests have been received regarding streambank protection – we will address these after spring runoff. Also, Hellroaring to be re-evaluated after spring runoff.
- EQIP: Received 16 applications, probably 14 will be viable. Also working on updating 1996-2006 existing contracts.
- WQPA: Several opportunities this year in EQIP to combine funding for Ag producers
- Small Acreage Program: Working on developing a program with NRCS/SWCD with combined goals of streamlined planning and contract process with consolidated landowner participation.
- NRCS/SWCD Outreach: Presentation planned for 2007 Beef School on state and federal programs.

**IASCDC:** Jamie Davis reported as follows:

- Pursuing Basic Plan Certification with NRCS.
- Tibbets WQPA: Working on crossings, will submit payment application .
- IASCDC Conference: Good conference – positive feedback on Lake\*A\*Syst.
- Nearshore LPO Committee: Developing marketing plan with UI – asking ISCC for additional funding for community survey.

**LAKE\*A\*SYST:** Gary Parker reported as follows:

- IASCDC State Conference: Presentation went fine with Urban Planning Committee – and display board was well received. Alice said Krista Harden commented that Lake\*A\*Syst should be nation-wide.
- Recently gave Lake\*A\*Syst presentations through County Extension for pesticide recertifying for herbicide applicators and landscapers in both Bonner and Boundary counties.
- Memorial Field BMP Project: Enough birch hardwood chips were delivered to the project to fill the lower 3 basins, and enough conifer chips for the other 6 basins. Local landscaper and arborist have been dumping their chips right at the site.
- Milfoil Task Force: Gary has been selected as one of the 14 members of this new committee. Members represent varied backgrounds – their first meeting is tomorrow, December 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Stormwater Erosion Education Program (S.E.E.P): Next meeting is Thursday, December 14<sup>th</sup> – both Gary and Jamie will attend. Goal is to educate contractor's working in watersheds and promote voluntary licensing with SEEP.
- Nearshore Committee meeting this Friday.

**BSWCD:** Linda O'Hare reported as follows:

- Blasko Project: Contractor finished on Friday November 3<sup>rd</sup>, flooding peaked on Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>. The project has held together very well. We have received the grant funding from USFWS and Avista, and will pay the bills this week.
- Hellroaring Creek – The flooding has changed this project, including washing out the weir that was to be removed. Rob Sampson will redesign the project after spring runoff. Received word from Chris Downs that Avista will help fund the project. Plan now is to take Rob's new design in the spring to Jim Woodward for another bid.
- 319 Pack River Road Project – Report is completed.
- Pack River Watershed Council Avista Grant: Completed 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter Reports, and Year End Report. Also, send Joe DosSantos letter requesting funding for 2007.
- Lake\*A\*Syst: Re Memorial Field BMP – received first invoice from Full Circle Design and will submit report requesting funding to NRCS. Composed a Letter of Agreement regarding tasks that still need to be completed by Full Circle Design, approved via email.
- Tree Seedling orders have totaled \$8823.50, expenses \$5,243.40, and profit of \$3,580.10.
- Forestry Contest: Coaches letter sent November 20<sup>th</sup> with date and information.
- SCWMA: Working on finalizing this year's projects and Year End Report

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**IASCDC State Conference:** Alice reminded members of Standing Committees to find replacements if they aren't attending conference. Conference went well. Addition of ISCC sponsored breakfast for Chairmen & District Administrators was well attended and informative.

## NEW BUSINESS

**Federal/State Mileage Rate:** Alice moved, Vern seconded the motion to increase our mileage rate to the new federal/state level of 48.5. *The motion carried.*

**Denton Slough:** Alice moved we support sending a letter of support to the Nearshore Committee in their pursuit to make the Denton Slough area a non-motorized zone. Vern seconded the motion. Pro and con discussion followed with participation from the board members, staff, and Kate Wilson, Lakes Commission Coordinator. Reasons for it: one of nine Idaho areas for grebe habitat, cultural resource concerns, reduce opportunity to spread milfoil, and reduce addition of nutrients. Reasons against it: the area is fished for bass, difficulty in enforcing, is existing boat traffic enough that it needs attention. Question was called for, and *the motion was defeated.*

**Receipt of County Funds:** Linda and Herman forwarded the Receipt of County Funds form as well as the Revised Draft 2007 Budget to Kathie Shea. Vern moved, Dale seconded the motion to table review of the revised budget until the January meeting. *The motion carried.*

**Election of Officers:** Dale moved to table elections until January, then withdrew his motion. Alice moved to retain Herman as Chairman and Dale as Vice-Chairman. Vern seconded the motion. *The motion carried.* Alice moved to elect Vern as Secretary/Treasurer. Dale seconded the motion, *the motion carried.*

**Lake\*A\*Syst:** Dale moved the BSWCD support the Letter of Agreement between BSWCD and Full Circle Design. Alice seconded the motion. *The motion carried.*

**EQIP Contract Cancellations:** Greg reviewed letters from Rich Sims requesting input from the board canceling two EQIP contracts. Greg recommended the board support letting the landowners out of their contracts. Dale moved, Alice seconded the motion to recommend canceling EQIP contract 7402115A840 and EQIP contract 7402116B399. *The motion carried.*

The January board meeting will be moved to January 9<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m.

Alice moved to go into Executive Session. Dale seconded the motion, *the motion carried.* Alice moved to return from Executive Session. Dale seconded the motion, *the motion carried.*

Alice moved and Dale seconded the motion to give the following bonuses: \$50 to Jamie, \$50 to Gary, and \$100 to Linda. *The motion carried.* Herman thanked them for their good work.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Linda O'Hare, District Administrator.

Approved by:

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District Supervisor Signature

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Date

**Recap of Motions:**

Approval of November, 2006 Minutes

Approval of November, 2006 Financial Reports

Approval paying the following bills: Petty Cash \$39.40; Linda's Conference Airfare & Per diem \$541.28; Boundary SCD for Linda's conference room & mileage to Spokane \$105.19; Supervisors 2006 mileage Alice \$186.06, Ray 140.62, Herman 250.09, Dale 222.50, Vern 244.75; APEX for 319 \$12,880; Blasko Project – Fitzpatrick \$20,000, Pile King \$4,400.27, Broadway Splicing \$2,215.40; and Full Circle Design for Memorial Field \$2,210

Approval of raising the mileage to the new federal/state level of 48.5

Did not approve of sending letter of support to make Denton Slough non-motorized

Approval of tabling the Revised 2007 budget to the January 2007 meeting

Approval of electing Herman Collins as Chairman, Dale Van Stone as Vice-Chairman

Approval of electing Vern Hollett as Secretary/Treasurer

Approval of supporting Letter of Agreement between BSWCD and Full Circle Design

Approval of canceling EQIP contract 7402115A840 and EQIP contract 7402116B399

Approval of entering Executive Session

Approval of exiting Executive Session

Approval of bonuses for Jamie for \$50, Gary for \$50, and Linda for \$100.

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