

# Bonner Soil & Water Conservation District

## Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

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Date: June 4, 2013  
Time: 1:30 pm  
Place: 1224 Washington Ave., Suite 101

Attendance: Herman Collins, BSWCD  
Dale Van Stone, BSWCD  
Alice Wallace, BSWCD  
Cassie Tauber, BSWCD  
Harry Menser, Associate

Greg Becker, NRCS  
Mark Hogen, SWC  
Erin Mader, POBC  
Jace Bylenga, L\*A\*S  
Linda O'Hare, BSWCD

Absent: Vern Hollett, BSWCD; Fairy Delay, Associate

Chairman Collins called the meeting to order at 1:30. Herman and Harry updated everyone on Vern Hollett's progress – he is now at Life Care here in Sandpoint, and progressing well.

### **Approval of Minutes:**

Alice moved to approve the May minutes; Dale seconded the motion, *the motion carried.*

### **Financial Report:**

Herman reviewed the May financial report and recommended that it be approved. Alice moved to approve the May finance report, Dale seconded the motion, *the motion carried.*

## **AGENCY REPORTS**

**Lake\*A\*Syst by Jace Bylenga:** Jace reviewed his written report which is included with the minutes. Alice moved and Cassie seconded the motion to sign the contract for Jace to also work as a Boat Inspection Attendant, *the motion carried.*

**POBC by Erin Mader:** Erin reviewed her written report which is included with the minutes. Erin covered in detail the June 3<sup>rd</sup> field trip with her board, Fish & Game, and a representative from BPA through the Pack River Delta project and the proposed Clark Fork Delta project. Erin also reviewed the agenda for the June 20<sup>th</sup> POBC meeting.

**SWC by Mark Hogen:** Mark reviewed his written report which is included with the minutes.

**BSWCD by Linda O'Hare:** Linda reviewed her written report which is included with the minutes.

### **NRCS by Greg Becker:**

Greg updated the board on the progress of the potential road project at a subdivision on Hwy 55 this side of Snow Valley near Priest River. DEQ toured the site the end of May and supported the project. The next step is a neighborhood meeting sometime this coming winter to determine the landowner interest.

## **OLD BUSINESS**

**Forestry Contest:** 650 people attended the contest, 317 contestants, 100 novices, 50 coaches and bus drivers, 183 volunteers. The scores in the Senior division were excellent this year, as was the weather! Donations this year totaled \$7990, which is enough to cover all expenses without pulling money from savings.

**Water Festival:** Teacher evaluations have been received, and they are great! For the district's first year in administering this event it was very successful. Support from people and organizations has been great. The estimated income is around \$11,000, which should leave around \$2000 for start-up funds next year. Alice moved and Cassie seconded the motion to increase the contract with Earth Wise to allow for the extra time needed for this first year, *the motion carried.* Linda estimated the increase around \$500.

**Boat Stations:** Albeni Station inspected 296 boats in the first 6 days, Samuels 123. Albeni sold 82 stickers, Samuels sold 24. The board discussed a personnel issue and suggested two more weeks of evaluation.

**Grouse Creek:** Alice moved and Dale seconded the motion to invite 3 qualified contractors to bid on the second Grouse Creek project that will take place this summer, *the motion carried*. June 20<sup>th</sup> will be the day of the walk through with the design engineer.

**Farm Tour:** Herman, Harry, and Alice would like to attend the Farm Tour this year. Alice moved and Cassie seconded the motion to pay their registration of \$30, *the motion carried*.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

**Summer Schedule:** Our next meeting will be July 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1:30 at the office, and the August meeting will be discussed at that time.

**Clagstone Development Support Letter:** A letter of support has been requested from the district for the Clagstone Meadows Forest Legacy Proposal. Alice moved and Cassie seconded the motion to table this until more information is gathered, *the motion carried*.

**Tree Seedlings:** Linda and Cassie reported on the May 20<sup>th</sup> RC&D Forestry Committee meeting held in CdA. RC&D will keep their prices the same as last year. Alice moved and Dale seconded the motion to keep our prices the same for all three varieties, the 5.5” plugs, the 8” plugs, and the plug plus ones, *the motion carried*.

The Committee felt everything was fine for the 2014 season, then the Committee’s future will depend on decisions RC&D makes for its future. If RC&D decides to close its doors, discussion was held regarding the existing Forestry Committee reforming under the conservation districts of Division I, and with their proceeds hiring one person to be the administer.

**ICRMP 2013-14 Member Contribution:** Cassie moved and Dale seconded the motion to approve paying the estimated \$963 contribution when invoiced in September, *the motion carried*.

**Potential RC&D Project – Hoodoo Drainage District #7:** Cassie reviewed for the board the information on this proposal to RC&D to dredge a portion of Hoodoo Creek. As this is a wetland, the board was negative on the proposal.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00.  
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 April minutes  
Approval of April financial report  
Approval of contract with Jace Bylenga for Boat Inspector  
Approval of increase in amount of contract with Earth Wise for Water Festival  
Approval of offering 3contractors opportunity for bidding process on Grouse Creek II  
Approval of paying registration for Farm Tour  
Approval of tabling Clagstone support letter  
Approval of keeping tree seedling prices the same  
Approval of paying \$963 contribution for ICRMP for 2013-14