

WRC UCF Minutes

October 2, 2018

Public Meeting

Those Present:

John Hollenback – DLVCD/WRC, Susie Johnson – DLVCD/WRC, Bruce Thomas – WRC/Landowner, Will McDowell – WRC/CFC, Pete Dallaserra –MHCD/WRC/landowner, Dan McQueary – WRC/landowner, Carl Hamming – Powell County Planner, Karen Knudsen – WRC/CFC, Glen Green – NRCS, Fred Staedler – WRC/NRCS, Joel Chavez – DEQ, and Ted Dodge – WRC

Agenda:

The meeting was called to order by Chairman John Hollenback.

Treasurer Report:

- Invoices were reviewed and approved at the previous Board meeting.

Project Updates:

- **NRDP Deer Lodge North & South** – Fred reported that Ted Beck and DNRC’s Bio-control work is finished. Lamperts is 2/3 completed. The fencing project started this week.
- **Philipsburg West** NRDP project area – Bohrsen’s do not want to sign a landowner’s agreement. They would like to do all the projects but there are a couple of clauses in the agreement that he doesn’t like. NRDP wants WRC to put a bid out for all the beaver mimicry projects. Ted would like to do a qualification for bid to get experience contractors for this work.
- **Little Blackfoot River** – no new updates.
- **Browns Gulch** –Confluence is starting the culvert project on Brothers and should be done at the end of the month.
- **Blacktail Creek** – Ted sat in on the NRDP Advisory meeting and additional funds for Blacktail was not brought up. Doug said he never received the abstracts. This was an oversight by NRDP.
- **Cottonwood Creek** – Will is working with the Engineer to try and finish up some things. Will is met with Clay Watson on Andersons and Applegate’s irrigation projects.
- **Flint Creek/Boulder Creek** – Will is doing the final monitoring on Boulder Creek. Will wants Ted to go with him to meet with Charlie Parke.
- **CREP** – (Conservation Reserve Program) FSA – NRDP revised the NRDP plan to be able to use the match for the CREP funds. The CREP agreement should be signed by the end of the year.
- **RCPP** –Glen reported that they are working on the applications for the pipeline and stock water projects. Glen didn’t think WRC needed to go through a formal process to change

projects since the Westside Ditch project didn't go through. Glen did some checking and thought it would be a good idea to write a short narrative on why projects were changed.

- **Garnet Terrestrial Proposal** – Will was out last week and finished the assessment.
- **WCS Basin Creek grant** – next week Beaver Mimicry project will be installed in Basin Creek.
- **Wildlife Conflict Grant** – Chairman John Hollenback signed the composting agreement with LC Compost Solutions.
- **FW&P's SKT Committee** – Ted will present this draft contract at the Deer Lodge Valley Conservation District's next meeting to get their approval to sponsor this grant.

New Business:

1. None

Partners report were given.

1. Joel Chavez from DEQ gave an update on the cleanup at Grant Kohrs ranch.

Next meeting November 6, 2018

Submitted by: Susie Johnson, October 19, 2018