

# ***Beaverhead Conservation District***

## ***Meeting Minutes***

Thursday, June 16, 2022

### **Call to order**

Byron Martinell called to order the regular meeting of the Beaverhead Conservation District at 6:05 pm on June 16, 2022 in the NRCS office.

### **Roll call**

**The following persons were present:** Byron Martinell, Carl Malesich, Harris Wheat, Rich Nordquist, Billiette Brooks, Kelly Rowe, Jessica Fields, Zach Owen

**Absent:** Tom Miller, Jerry Meine, JS Turner, and Meg Smith

*Motion to excuse absences by Billiette 2<sup>nd</sup> by Harris, Motion Carried*

### **Approval of minutes from last meeting**

*Motion to approve the May minutes by Billiette 2<sup>nd</sup> by Harris, motion carried.*

### **Summary of Finances.**

- *Motion to approve summary of finances for June by Billiette 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carl, motion carried.*

### **SARE Grant Proposal**

- *Motion to write Art Hall a letter of support for his grant proposal by Rich 2<sup>nd</sup> by Harris, Motion Carried.*

### **NRCS**

- Sean was unable to attend, masks are required in the office.

### **Range Committee**

- The range tour went well, there was 39 participants
- Motion to sponsor Andrew Egan, Faye Holland, Tel Holland, Katie Johnson, Olivia Kailey, Clancy Setzer from Beaverhead County High School for Range Days in Shelby, MT by Billiette 2<sup>nd</sup> Carl, Motion carried.

### **310 Business**

#### **Beaverhead - Matt Jaeger**

- BCD 2212 Double C Ranch Holdings, Winslow Creek, New Channel and Reservoir for Artic Grayling (Tabled). Better Designs are needed.
- BCD 2213 Violation, Craig Hansen, Beaverhead River, Manure and trees dumped along the river. Much discussion was had as Craig is a repeat offender, the situation can not be fully rectified as a lot of manure washed down stream but the discission was made to have him pull back the remaining manure to create less of a mound on the bank.

*Motion for Craig rectify modifications within 15 days by Harris 2<sup>nd</sup> by Rich, Motion Carried*

## **Big Hole - Jim Olsen**

### **Beaverhead Watershed Grants**

- *Motion to approve Watershed finances for June by Billiette 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carl, motion carried*
- Over the last month Zach has been working on the Beaverhead flow management brochure w/BOR and other partners, steering committee meeting for the Hidden Pasture group, work with the Montana Watershed Coordination Council, getting graphic design and sign-making company lined out for sagebrush steppe ecosystem info signs on local trails, BLM projects, Red Rock project, Cornell - County Commission approvals, drought newsletters, Red Rock flow monitoring.

### **Administrator Report**

- Jess is working in the office Tuesday and Thursday and from home the rest of the week when needed. 5<sup>th</sup> grade outdoor school was held at the Clark Canyon Bible camp and many teachers said this was the best presentation we have done yet. Jess is managing the Watercraft inspection station. We have found 4 mussel fouled boats, 2 corbicula boats, 1 Asian clam shell. The inspectors seem to all be working well together. Our ARPA irrigation grant was recommended for funding, but has yet to be funded.

### **Old Business**

#### **New Business**

- *Motion to pay \$30 for the Beaverhead County Fair Awards by Billiette 2<sup>nd</sup> by Carl motion carried.*
- *Motion to pay \$2,540 for insurance by Billiette 2<sup>nd</sup> by Harris, motion Carried.*
- DNRC report- Hailey Graf (Attached)
- Wildlife Speaker Series – Stoats and Mink– July 1<sup>st</sup> Sheridan
- Wildlife Speaker Series – Pika – July 9<sup>th</sup> Ennis
- Wildlife Speaker Series – Beavers – July 14<sup>th</sup> Divide
- Wildlife Speaker Series – Snakes – August 3<sup>rd</sup> McAlister
- Poindexter Weed Pull – June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 6-8 pm
- Next meeting date- July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022

### **Public Comment**

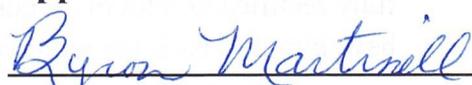
- No public in attendance.

### **Adjournment**

*Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 pm*

Minutes submitted by: Jessica Fields

### **Approved:**

  
Byron Martinell, Chairman