# Date: Tuesday, September 1, 2020

# Time: 1:00 pm Meeting

Place: Hickory Street Pavilion &Teleconference held via Zoom

Attendance:

Dale Van Stone, BSWCD Leigh Bercaw Molly McCahon, Lakes Comm.

Harry Menser, BSWCD Sarah Garcia, BSWCD Jennifer Jensen, U of I

Brad Bluemer, BSWCD Cindy Vaughan, NRCS Bill Lillibridge, ISWCC

Jim Stevens, BSWCD Brad Shelton, ISWCC

The meeting was called to order at 1:10pm by Chairman Dale Van Stone.

**Approval of Minutes:** Brad B. moved, seconded by Jim, to approve the August 2020 minutes, *the motion carried.*

**Financial Report:**  Harry moved, seconded by Brad B. to accept the July financial documents as presented. Jim provided an overview of current financial standings and accounting updates. Jim reminded the Board of his recommendation to invite Sean, Maggie, and Len to meet with the Board. *the motion carried*

**Financial Match Report:** Brad B. moved, and Harry seconded a motion to approve and submit the 2020 Financial Match report to ISWCC. *the motion carried*

**AGENCY REPORTS**

**NRCS – Cindy Vaughan:** Cindy informed the Board that Greg is on a 2-month detail at the state office and she is acting A.C. for Sandpoint. A brief update was given on EQIP contracts. Cindy and Sarah discussed with the Board the City’s request to remove the mushroom beds that had been installed approximately 10-12yrs ago along Memorial Field boat launch. The mushroom swales were installed to assist collect oil run off as part of storm water management. They have not been maintained & the City is in the process of completing a revamp of the launch and the stormwater management in that area. Brad moved, and Harry seconded a motion to approve the City of Sandpoint’s request to remove the Districts Mushroom Swale project to allow for improvements to be made to the cities storm water management at the public launch. *the motion carried*

**Lakes Commission:** Molly provided a written report. The Board expressed appreciation for the written update. Dale gave a brief overview of the Priest Lake outlet Dam & thoroughfare project. Bonner County has committed $100,000 and the Friends of the Thoroughfare organization have raised additional funds for the project.

**U of I:** Jennifer updated the Board on a successful fair & gave some overview of how the program operated in the midst of Covid protocol. The Beginning farmer/rancher program is progressing! The program framework is being put into place including meeting with farmer cooperators. Anticipating in class work to begin in late spring with field/hands-on work to follow. There are additional classes being planned for the spring including both in-person and virtual learning options.

ISWC: Due to technical challenges Brad asked Bill to update the Board. There has been a settlement reached between ISWCC & Franklin SWCD and an overview of the ISWCC letter was provided and briefly discussed. Reminded the District that the Bag Meeting 319 presentations would be coming up in October. Bill gave a brief overview of a Pack River Streambank project that was completed with NRCS. Approximately 700’ of streambank was stabilized utilizing willows and other materials. Additional projects for the future related to road undermining.

**DISTRICT BUSINESS**

**ISDA/Boat Stations**: Glenn provided the board with a written update of the boat season to date.

**Bonner County Fair:** The Board was provided with a visual report of the Districts Fair Booth. A large thank you was given to Board Supervisor Brad Bluemer who volunteered at the booth throughout the fair.

**Division I Supervisor Meeting:** The Board was updated that there is a proposed Division I supervisor meeting scheduled for Friday September 25 at 9am at the Kootenai County Fairgrounds.

**Election:** Sarah updated the board that all necessary election documents for John & Harry had been submitted and thus far there were no contenders. Today was the deadline for paperwork submission & written deadline is 9/18.

**Associate Board Member:** Brad B moved & Harry seconded a motion to appoint Leigh Bercaw as an associate Board member.

**Civil Rights / EEO:** There were no updates to Civil Rights/EEO.

**Bonner SWCD by Sarah Garcia:** Sarah provided the Board with an overview of the work completed this month.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15pm.

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