# Date: Tuesday, July 7th, 2020

# Time: 1:00 pm Meeting

Place: Teleconference held via Zoom

Attendance:

Dale Van Stone, BSWCD Brad Bluemer, BSWCD Greg Becker, NRCS

Harry Menser, BSWCD Brad Shelton, ISWCC Sarah Garcia, BSWCD

John Gaddess, BSWCD Jessica Erickson, PRWC  
 Jim Stevens, BSWCD Gail Bolin, WF

The meeting was called to order at 1:00pm by Chairman Dale Van Stone.

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

**Financial Report:** Harry moved, seconded by John to accept the May financial documents as presented. Jim provided an overview of current financial standings and accounting updates. Jim praised Sean of CDA Books for his proactive communication and progressive tools. *the motion carried*

**CDA Account Access:** Jim moved, and John seconded a motion to grant Sean Moglia of CDA Books view only access to the Districts Columbia Bank accounts. *the motion carried*

**AGENCY REPORTS**

**PRWC – Jessica Erickson:** Jessica attended and assisted with the June 25th Lakes Commission meeting in Priest River. The Board was informed that Jessica had been in touch with Kevin Davis of the FS regarding the forest service road washout on grouse creek. A temporary road has been constructed with construction time of 2021/2022 for a new road to be built out of the flood zone. The Pack-McCormick draft document has been completed with the final due August 1. Jessica also updated the Board to reporting timeframe change for Avista with the first report due August 1st.

**Water Festival Gail Bolin:**  Gail reported that she had completed sending out Thank you letters, finalized grant reports and finished the physical inventory. The physical inventory is estimated to represent approximately $15,000 in assets. Gail applied for Equinox & IFWF grants and will hear if awarded in July/August.

**NRCS – Greg Becker:** Greg notified the Board that due to the current rise in reported COVID-19 in our community there will be reversal of COVID protocols and visitors will not be allowed in the office going forward. Board meetings will need to be hosted elsewhere. FWS grant is moving forward on Reeder creek which borders Bismark Meadows easement. The NRCS team restructuring has been implemented. Greg has applied to retain his position as the Sandpoint/Bonners Ferry Team lead. A Resource Con (gs11) position has been posted for the Sandpoint office and their role would be to focus on Federal Programs allowing Greg more time to work with partners. Greg has been selected for a two-month detail in Boise tentatively planned for September/October but could be impacted by COVID.

**ISDA/Boat Stations**: Glenn provided the board with a writen update of the boat season to date. The Board as acknowledged that due to the current health concerns associated with COVID-19 the District will not be selling AIS Stickers this season at the stations. This will represent a loss of admin fees from these sales for this season.

**ISWCC – Brad Shelton:** Brad updated the Board of the ongoing situation related to ISWCC & IASCD. The Board was provided the Commissions written response to the IASCD meeting notes, the Board had already been provided an electronic copy and discussion was held regarding the contents. Brad encouraged all Board members to respond to the brief survey sent out by the Commission.

**DISTRICT BUSINESS**

**319 Proposal Submittal:** The Board was presented with the 319 Grant Proposal for Sunnyside. Sarah asked for the Boards approval to submit the proposal on the Districts behalf. Jim moved, and Brad B. seconded a motion to submit the Sunnyside 319 Proposal. *the motion carried*

**FWS Grant Proposal:** Board reviewed the proposal to administer a FWS Grant for the Reeder Creek Project. In addition, the Board discussed authorizing the District Administrator, Sarah Garcia to sign grant application on the Boards behalf in the future once the Board has been informed and approved of future grant opportunities. Harry moved, and Jim seconded the motion to enter the agreement with FWS for the Reeder Creek project, *the motion carried.* John moved and Harry seconded a motion to authorize Sarah to sign approved grant applications in the future. *the motion carried.*

**FY21 Parsons, Behle, and Latimer agreement:** The board discussed the agreement that reflects the terms of legal counsel on behalf of the Lakes Commission in relation to the Columbia River Treaty. The document had already be signed by Norm Semanko (P,B &L) and Ford Elsaesser Chair for the Lakes Commission. John moved, and Jim seconded the motion to enter the agreement to administer the payments to Parsons, Behle, and Latimer on behalf of the Lakes Commission.

**Election:** Jim Stevens, John Gaddess, and Harry Menser’s terms expire at the end of the year. John and Harry stated they would be running in the November election to retain their seat. Jim will not be for personal reasons.

**Employee Reviews:** The board determined they would postpone employee reviews until September in the meantime the new periodic review document will be sent out to the board to allow them time to become familiar with the document.

**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 and informed them she would be attending the Kootenai-Shoshone Board meeting the following day along with other members of the PSP program.

Under Idaho Code 74-206(b) John requested that the Board enter executive session. A Roll Call vote was called, John aye, Jim aye, Dale aye, Harry aye, Brad B. aye; and the Board entered executive session. The Board exited executive session and indicated personnel matters were discussed but no decisions had been made.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:25pm.

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