



Stillwater Conservation District

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October 1st, 2024 MINUTES

Location: USDA Service Center Conference Room (334 N. 9th Street, Columbus, MT)

Meeting called to order by: Rovert Van Oosten at 6:04pm

Supervisors: Robert Van Oosten (*Chairman*), Noel Keogh (*Vice Chairman*), Butch Behrent (*Treasurer*), Steve Story (*Secretary*), Ben Walker (*Urban Supervisor*), Nathan Jones (*Urban Supervisor*)

Supervisors Approved Absent: Darryl Thompson (*Associate Member*)

Others Invited: Sharon Flemetis (*District Admin*), Celeste Barnett (*310/Volunteer Coordinator*),

UNAPPROVED MINUTES

Motion to approve minutes from September 10th, 2024 Meeting: **Ben Seconded: Butch**
Discussion: None **Vote: Approved**

Public Comment

* 3 Minute Limit * The Public will conduct themselves in a professional manner or be asked to leave.*

NONE

REPORTS

Robert "Bob" Van Oosten – Planning Board cancelled due to lack of business
Butch Behrent – SVWC Started Debris Removal in lower section today
Noel Keogh– SVWC Upper Cleanup was done well; FWP want the SVWC to help out with a fish habitat improvement survey to use for a Future Fisheries Grant
Steve Story – None
Ben Walker– None
Nate Jones – None
Darryl Thompson – Absent
Garrett Larson–Absent
Sharon Flemetis – None
Celeste Barnett – None
Any Other Invited Guests – None

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Presented by Sharon Fletmetis:

Motion: Motion to approve & Pay Warrants: Noel

Seconded: Ben

Discussion: None

Vote: Approved

GRANT UPDATES

EWP- Construction is finished in Stillwater County; A few projects finishing up in Carbon County; Funding extension until October 31st, 2024.

Mendenhall – Construction finished; still finalizing financials

Forestry ERLA – No Update; meeting tomorrow

ARPA Danford/ARPA Orchard- Chairman has signed the notice to proceed

NEW BUSINESS

Area Meeting – Due to SMC Reverse Job Fair we can not set up until Thursday Morning and will need some help; Ben will send over a crew to help. We have had several donations for door prizes & a raffle. Noel will be speaking during the Flood Slide Show Presentation.

Board received DNRC-CDB Strategic Plan that we expect to be presented; along with a copy of the October 2024 report to south central Montana conservation districts

OLD BUSINESS

Gallatin CD Visit – Postponed due to Gallatin Admin having a family emergency

Storage Shed – Still looking for the right container

Rain Barrel Workshop – Will be held in the Spring

310 APPLICATIONS AND COMPLAINTS

APPL. #	Name	Stream	Project	Rec'd	Decision
24-037	Heikes	W Rosebud	Bridge Abutment Riprap Repair	9/11/24	Motion to Approve w/Mods: Noel Seconded: Nate Discussion: None Vote: Approved
24-038	Circle T	Stillwater	Bank Stabilization	9/4/24	On hold pending possible redesign at request of the applicant

23-083	Russell	West Rosebud	Bridge Replacement Extension Request	9/18/24	Motion to extend for 12 months: Noel Seconded: Butch Discussion: None Vote: Approved
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VIOLATIONS/COMPLAINTS

#23-052V Judy Krone - No Update

#23-064V Montana Rail Link & #23-070V Montana Rail Link - No Update

Save The Dates

- October 3, 2024 – AREA IV MEETING
- October 14, 2024 – Columbus Day
- October 31, 2024 - Site Inspections
- November 5, 2024 - Monthly Board Meeting 6pm
- November 11, 2024 – Veterans Day
- November 19-21 – MACD Convention
- November 28, 2024 – Thanksgiving
- December 2, 2024 - Site Inspections
- December 3, 2024 – Monthly Board Meeting
- December 25, 2024 - Christmas

Area IV Annual Meeting
 October 3rd, 2024
 Columbus MT
 Hosted by:
 Stillwater Conservation District

MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING: Noel SECONDED: Nate

MEETING ADJOURNED AT: 7:32pm

Minutes Approved on:

Minutes Approved By [Signature] Date: 11/12/24

310 Applications must be received by 12pm seven days prior to the meeting and have been inspected to be reviewed. Agenda items must be submitted to the CD Office by Noon the Monday before the scheduled meeting. Agendas are available at the CD Office upon request and at stillwatercd.org once finalized. All meetings of the CD are open to the public. Meetings may be recorded by the district for note taking purposes and then will be destroyed once minutes are approved. Once approved the minutes will be available at stillwatercd.org and the County Clerk and Recorders Office.