



Kittitas County Conservation District
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Board of Supervisors Meeting

July 13, 2006

7:00 PM

ATTENDANCE

<p>Mark Moore, Chair Jeff Brunson, Auditor Dale Dyk, Member Marge Bach, Associate Member Jackie Brunson, Associate Member</p>	<p>KCCD Staff: Anna Lael, District Manager Suzanne Wade, GIS Specialist Sara Leist, Financial Manager Mark Crowley, Resource Technician</p> <p>NRCS: Chris Bové</p>
<p>Guest: Jane Creech</p>	

- I. **Call to Order-** Chairman Mark Moore called the meeting to order at 7:07 PM.
 - II. Approve the June Meeting Minutes and June Accountant's Report.
MOTION – Approve the June Meeting Minutes and Accountant's Report.
Jeff Brunson, seconded by **Dale Dyk** *Passed Unanimously*
 - III. Bills to be approved are listed below:
MOTION - Approve check numbers 8806 through 8845 with a total of \$48,989.98.
Jeff Brunson, seconded by **Dale Dyk** *Passed Unanimously*
 - IV. **Guest:** Jane Creech informed the Board that she submitted a letter to KCCD in support of the potential assessment. She also updated the Board on TMDLs in the county. There will be a public meeting on the Teanaway TMDL in the evening on August 8th at the Teanaway Grange.
 - V. **Old Business**
NRCS Report – Anna informed the Board that NRCS has agreed to Anna's new rental proposal which will reduce our annual rent paid to NRCS from \$21,000 to 8,167.13.
MOTION – Approve the current revised rental agreement with NRCS.
Dale Dyk, seconded by **Jeff Brunson** *Passed Unanimously*
- There will be a Local Work Group Core Meeting at 3:00 PM in Ephrata on Monday, July 24th.
- Chris Bove informed the Board that an MOU has been drafted to create a South Central Washington Shrub Steppe Conservation Partnership to establish a partnership that is dedicated to conserving shrub steppe in Benton, Yakima, Grant and Kittitas Counties for the benefit of sage grouse. Mutual interests will collaborate in conserving open space, agricultural production on working ranches and farms, and wildlife habitat.
MOTION – Approve MOU for the South Central Washington Shrub Steppe Conservation Partnership.
Dale Dyk, seconded by **Jeff Brunson** *Passed Unanimously*
- KCCD Project Reports**
- a) **PAM Cost Share** – Anna informed the Board that there were three new PAM applicants approved for PAM cost share since the last meeting. The applicants are Steve Rosbach, Steve German and Mountain Springs Farms.

- b) **Irrigation Efficiencies** – See Mark Crowley’s report.
- c) **Engineering Grant** – Anna informed the Board that Ryan Roberts starts July 24th. There is an Engineer interested in the PE position, and there will be an interview on July 24th in Wenatchee with other districts in our cluster. Anna also informed the Board that the Chelan County Conservation District has requested additional funds to hire a consulting engineer to cover the design needs. They need approximately \$20,000 for the Jones/Shotwell project.

MOTION – Approve the \$20,000 increase to the MOU with Chelan County Conservation District contingent on Commission’s permission to do so.

Dale Dyk, seconded by **Jeff Brunson** *Passed Unanimously*

d) **Yakima Tributary Access and Habitat Project**

Please see the attached staff reports regarding updates on the projects listed below:

- Lower Wilson/Eaton In-Stream Project Caribou Creek Fish Passage & Screening
- Lmuma Creek Riparian/Instream Restoration
- Lyle Creek Fish Passage (Ludwick)
- Parke Creek Pump Screens & Fish Passage
- Coleman Creek (Burris)
- Currier Creek

- e) **Teaway Restoration Grant** – See Staff Reports. Suzanne reported that the turbidity probes have been removed from the Teaway River due to low water levels. Suzanne informed the Board that the WCC Planting Crew was maintaining the planting site along the Teaway River on John Conner’s property. A woman from across the road (Conner Lumber) threatened to move the planting crew’s truck with a loader as she didn’t want them out at the site. The Board recommended that KCCD staff write a letter to Mr. Conner informing him that it is the landowner’s responsibility to take care of the plants, and if the planting crew is not allowed on the property, the landowner will become solely liable for the maintenance of the plants.

- f) **Manastash Project** – See Anna Lael’s report. Anna reported that Mark C. is working on getting signatures for the point of diversion change applications.

- g) **Livestock Grant** – Anna informed the Board that Tip Hudson (WSU Extension) and Mark C. are working on landowner workshops that will take place this summer and fall.

- h) **Implementation Grant** – See Staff Reports. Anna informed the Board that Mark Wasemiller (South Yakima CD Engineer) has requested additional hours be amended into our agreement. He requested increasing the total hours from 25 to 40.

MOTION – Amend agreement with South Yakima Conservation District to include an increase in total engineer hours from 25 to 40.

Jeff Brunson, seconded by **Dale Dyk** *Passed Unanimously*

Anna informed the Board that one of the landowner applicants, Patty Clark, has completed her project but the vendor did not submit a design packet for Mark Wasemiller to review. Because she didn’t follow the cost share policy, KCCD can not provide cost share to the project.

Anna reported that KCCD has four small landowner applications to approve. Two of the applications have been signed by the landowners and two are waiting for signatures. All four have yet to be signed off by the Engineer. The four projects are:

- Tom Pieschl – installing a k-line sprinkler system with a total project cost of \$5,232.96
- Gary Frederick – installing a handline sprinkler system or k-line system for a total project cost of \$5,000.
- Barbara Young – Installing a sprinkler system for a total project cost of \$10,000.
- John Agar – installing a pvc pipeline system for a total project cost of \$5,000.

MOTION – Approve landowner agreements and conservation plans for Barbara Young and John Agar contingent on landowner signature and Engineer sign-off.

Dale Dyk, seconded by **Jeff Brunson** *Passed Unanimously*

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- i) **Water Metering Grant** – Anna reported that KCCD has received one water metering cost share application for approval.

Contract No.	Name	Location	Project Cost	Cost Share Rate	Maximum Cost Share	Comments
C-064	Harold B. Iverson	Kittitas County (Cle Elum)	\$ 1,511.48	100% after \$250	\$ 1,261.48	Installing one 7.0 cfs EZ Flow Ramp Flume and two 2.0 cfs Adjust-A-Flumes - Court Claim No. 01137

MOTION - Approve the water metering contract for Harold Iverson with a maximum cost share of \$1,261.48.

Dale Dyk, seconded by **Jeff Brunson** *Passed Unanimously*

- C. Special Assessment** – See Anna Lael's report. The Board decided to hold a special meeting on Thursday, July 20th at 7:00 PM to review the assessment proposal before it is submitted on 7/31/06 to the Kittitas County Board of Commissioners.

- D. Boundary Updates-** Anna informed the Board that the City of Roslyn has submitted a petition for the exclusion of Roslyn into KCCD's boundaries.

MOTION – Approve Resolution 2006-03 to accept petition confirming exclusion of City of Roslyn from KCCD boundaries.

Dale Dyk, seconded by **Jeff Brunson** *Passed Unanimously*

- E. Watershed Data Pilot Project** – No new information to report.

- F. Short Term CD** - Anna informed the Board that our short term CD at Sterling Savings Bank matured on 6/30/06 and we have rolled it over another 60 days and will mature on 9/1/06.

- G. Letter to Allstate RE: KCCD Equipment Replacement** – Anna informed the Board that KCCD has received a response letter from Allstate, the insurance company for Jessie Canfield, the woman who rammed her car through Anna's office window and into the building. Allstate is requesting more information on the damaged items, possibly because they may try to pay us for only the depreciated value of the computer equipment. The letter to Allstate dated July 12th states additional costs incurred since the last correspondence and more detailed information on the damaged items.

VI. New Business

- A. Interlocal Agreement with Franklin CD** - An interlocal agreement has been developed between KCCD and the Franklin Conservation District to proceed with work to complete the Water Conservation/Efficiency Projects Inventory. The project will identify viable water conservation/efficiency projects, primarily related to irrigation agriculture and water delivery systems that will be summarized within an inventory data base.

MOTION – Approve the interlocal agreement with Franklin Conservation District for \$1,875 to cover staff time.

Dale Dyk, seconded by **Jeff Brunson**

Passed Unanimously

VI. Reports

Anna Lael (see attached)
Suzanne Wade (see attached)
Sara Leist (See attached)
Mark Crowley (see attached)
Abbi Sorensen (see attached)
Carol Ready (See attached)

VII. Adjournment –Chairman Mark Moore adjourned the meeting at 8:50 PM.

MOTIONS APPROVED:

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