



MOTIVATING LANDOWNERS TO PURSUE, COMMIT, AND DELIVER ON-THE-GROUND CONSERVATION PRACTICES

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Minutes

Monthly Meeting of the MPCD Board of Directors 106 S. 2nd St, Kremmling, CO 80459

January 6, 2015

The January 2015 meeting of the MPCD Board of Supervisors was called to order by President Deb Wood at 6:15pm. Other attendees included Justin Fosha, Treasurer; Dave Abbott, Member; Katlin Miller, Executive Director; and Mark Volt, NRCS.

It was moved and seconded to approve the December Minutes as Read. Members were also given their Mileage and Timesheets to fill out and return to Katlin at the end of the meeting.

Under District Reports, Katlin went over the Final 2014 Financial Figures and the 2015 Budget. She also listed checks and deposits made in December 2014. **Dave and Justin moved and seconded to approve the financial report.**

Also under reports, Dave reported on the 2014 CACD meeting. He noted two resolutions that were passed and will affect MPCD. First, the resolution to return EQIP allocation and funding to the Watershed was APPROVED and has been accepted by the state NRCS leadership team. This will help the MPCD and its landowners because we will not have to compete against the whole Area or State for funding, just against the Glenwood and Grand Junction Offices. The second major resolution to be passed was the Pesticide Act resolution. This resolution asked that CACD partake in all committee meetings regarding the Pesticide Act as a landowner and CD representative.

Under Old Business, Katlin asked the Board to review the 2014 Completed Annual Plan of Work she had previously distributed and let her know about any mistakes prior to January 31st.

Next under Old Business, Katlin and Mark showed the Board before and after photos of the 11 completed 2014 Irrigation Cost-Share Projects. .

Under New Business, Katlin told the Board that she had to change the date of the Annual Dinner to February 7th rather than the planned date of February 21st. Latigo had a conflict on the 21st, so they needed to move it. Moving it up made more sense than moving it back due to calving. Katlin had spoken to Deb and Travis (Stockgrowers President) prior to finalizing the date change for approval. The cost of the dinner will be \$25 and include Prime Rib or Salmon, Salad, Bread, and Dessert. There will also be a cash bar for Beer and Wine available. Social Hour will start at 5:30, MPCD presentation at 6, and Dinner at 6:30.



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Next up, the Board discussed possible candidates for the Conservationist of the Year. Candidates included the Miller Family, Jim and Jay Yust, Carol and Pete Petersen, Battle Creek Ranch, and Middle Park Habitat Partnership Program. After much discussion, **Justin moved and Dave seconded to nominate the Middle Park Habitat Partnership Program as the Conservationist of the Year thanks to their contributions towards the Aerial Clover Seeding Project, Weed Control Efforts, Fence Damage Program, and Tire Tank Installments.** Mark and Katlin will work a presentation for the Annual Dinner.

Also under New Business, Katlin asked the Board to consider revising the meeting schedule once again and move the April meeting to March due to the Exemption from Audit requirement that is due at the end of March. **Dave and Justin moved and seconded to change the meeting from April to March to accommodate that need. Accordingly, the next Board meeting will be March 3, 2015, at 6pm at the MPCD/NRCS Office.**

The corrected and current meeting schedule is...

2015

Tuesday, January 6th (6pm)

Tuesday, March 3rd (6pm)

Tuesday, May 5th (6pm)

Thursday, June 4th (7pm)

Thursday, July 9th (7pm)

Thursday, September 3rd (7pm)

Tuesday, November 3rd (6pm)

Tuesday, December 1st (6pm)

Lastly, under New Business, Katlin advised the Board of three upcoming meetings/events:

- Sage Grouse Workshop put on by the DOW on February 9th in Steamboat and February 11th to educate landowners on Ranching for Grouse. Katlin told the Board that she intends to attend so that she can educate landowners in her newsletters about actions they can do to help sage grouse.



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- Grand County Weed Board Meeting on Monday, January 12th at 1pm at the Board of County Commissioners Meeting Room in Hot Sulphur Springs. She encouraged the board members to attend is at all possible. She will also invite the Commissioners to attend.
- Grand County Wildfire Council meeting on Thursday, January 15th at Noon at the YMCA Commons. Katlin said she plans to attend as our representative.

Under Partner Reports, Mark (NRCS) reported that EQIP applications are due January 16th for the 2015 cycle. He has been working on projects with the Linke Ranch, Woods, Mike Ritschard, Mathesons, Summit County Weed Board, and the Middle Park HPP. He also stated that the East Grand Manual Snow Courses will be managed by Northern Water and BLM this year rather than NRCS. He will retain the Gore Pass and Corral Creek courses though. Manual surveys are set to start at the end of January.

Finally, Katlin asked the Board members to write articles for the coming newsletters. Dave agreed to write an article on Ag Statistics, Deb on Water, and Justin on Range, Hay, or Pasture. The first newsletter she would like their contributions for is the April 1st newsletter.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:40pm.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 3rd at 6pm at the MPCD/NRCS Office.