



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

July 10, 2014

The July 2014 meeting of the MPCD Board of Supervisors was called to order by President Deb Wood at 7:00pm. Other attendees included Jay Yust, Vice President; Justin Fosha, Treasurer; Katlin Miller, Executive Director; and Mark Volt, NRCS District Conservationist.

Justin moved and Jay seconded a motion to 'Approve the June Minutes as Read'. Motion passed.

Each member was also given their Mileage and Timesheet to fill out and return to Katlin at the end of the meeting.

Under District Reports, Katlin asked if there were any questions regarding the reports she emailed to the group beforehand. SEE ATTACHED REPORTS. There were no questions.

Under Old Business, Katlin presented the group with a summary of the Budget Priorities Survey that was initially brought up in April but has since been postponed till now. No decisions were made; it was just informative and will be used in later budget talks.

Next up under Old Business, Katlin told the Board that several Irrigation Cost-Share Projects has started construction but none have been completed yet or inspected.. Katlin and Mark also told the Board that Ruby Ranch (Willow Creek Metro District) has reconsidered their project proposal. The Board previously approved approximately 400' of steel culvert pipe, but the managers do not believe they can successfully install the steel culverts because of the heavy weight of carrying it into the wilderness area and difficulty adding backfill. They instead want to do black plastic pipe because it is lighter and no cover. This option goes against NRCS specs because black plastic pipe requires cover to protect against UV light and prevent floatation. After some discussion, **Justin moved and Jay seconded motion to withdraw the contract with Willow Creek Metro District because the project cannot be done as approved or to NRCS specs. Motion Passed.** Because the board originally funded them up to \$3000, **Justin moved and Jay seconded a motion to provide extra funding to Devil's Thumb Ranch and Sandy Panagini and other previously approved projects up to half the cost of their materials or \$3000 max. Motion Passed.** Mark will look into the Ceriani project and see if it is one that needs to be funded.

Next up, Katlin presented the Board with the new signature cards for the bank that add Justin, Jay, and Deb as signers but remove Dave Abbott. The same signers were also changed for the Colotrust account with Katlin having read only access. The board had previously decided at the June meeting to have the current President, VP, and Treasurer as signers on the bank accounts.



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Under New Business, Katlin told the Board she had been looking into general liability insurance for the Board, as required under the CSCB Matching Grant Contract. She received a quote for \$750 through Philadelphia Insurance Company represented by Town & Country Insurance in Kremmling. We had budgeted \$1000 for insurance through the grant, so this figure is in our budget. Katlin also said that additional Directors and Officers coverage would be an added \$964 but that it is not required under the conditions of the grant. After some discussion, **Jay moved and Justin seconded to accept the \$750 General Liability policy from Philadelphia Insurance Company. Motion Passed.** Jay signed to insurance policies.

Next up, Katlin asked the board if they wanted to do a booth at fair as they have always done. Katlin noted that it would be a good opportunity to show off her soil tent to the general public. The board all agreed that a booth at fair would be good. **Jay moved and Justin seconded a motion to pay the \$35 booth fee to the Middle Park Fair and Rodeo.** Katlin will follow up in the coming weeks with an email sign-up sheet for shifts to be covered.

Lastly under New Business, Katlin updated the Board on the Annual Plan of Work progress and what still needs to be done. The Board suggested that we add our weed workshop and forest workshop to the Small Acreage Resource tab because they fit under those resources too.

The Colorado State Forest Service was not at the meeting to give a report.

Mark with the NRCS gave a report on all the projects he's been working on...lots of springs and water developments. Millers and Whiteley Peak were both approved for their EQIP projects.

Under Closing Round Table, Katlin mentioned that our upcoming weed workshop next week Thursday is coming together nicely. We have over 25 people signed up, and all of the organizers seem ready to go. Katlin did ask the board, however, if they would like to donate some seed to the event as a door prize. **Justin moved and Jay seconded to donate two 5lb sacks of Brome/Pubescent to the weed workshop as door prizes. Motion Passed.** Katlin will report on the event at the next meeting.

Katlin also mentioned that the Middle Park Stockgrowers met today and voted to have the Annual Dinner at Latigo Ranch in February with possible entertainment at the Lynch Mob. Katlin asked the Board to discuss this option. Finally, **Justin moved and Jay seconded to hold the meeting at Latigo Ranch in February. Motion Passed.** Katlin will contact them to make arrangements and ask the Lynch mob what their availability and rates are.



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Lastly, Katlin noted that she spoke to Natalie MacSalka (CSCB) today and Natalie mentioned that we ranked 35th out of 75 districts and will receive between \$5000-5300 in direct assistance this year.

Meeting adjourned at 8:45pm. Next meeting to be held on September 2nd at 6pm.