



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

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Quarterly Meeting of the MPCD Board of Supervisors

March 14, 2023 – Noon, In-Person and Zoom

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85148403186?pwd=STFHRYtoUDhOSlpoVDdyVDBaZm9NQTO9>

Call to Order: 12:09 pm by President Deb Wood

Attendees Present:

Deb Wood, President	X	Mark Volt, DCT	X
Jay Yust, Vice President	X	Kara Vigneau, NRCS Resource Con	Absent
Justin Fosha, Sec/Treas	X	Stephen Jaouen, NRCS Team Lead	Absent
John Longhill, Board Member	X	Brianna Osbourne, CSU Extension Grand	Absent
Brien Rose, Board Member	X	Dan Schroder, CSU Extension Summit	X
Katlin Miller, District Manager	X	Ryan McNertney, CSFS Granby Office	X

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION: Approve agenda as written.		
Motion Made By:	Second Made By:	Vote Outcome
Brien Rose	Justin Fosha	Approved

Approval of Past Meeting Minutes (Dec 2022): <http://www.middleparkcd.com/meeting-minutes/>

MOTION: Approve Dec Minutes as written.		
Motion Made By:	Second Made By:	Vote Outcome
Brien Rose	Jay Yust	Approved

Partner Reports:

NRCS: Mark reported that Kara is back in Kremmling full-time after taking a detail in Glenwood part-time. Mark also reported that Inflation Reduction Act funds will be coming down the road and will likely boost DCT program, EQIP, and CSP.

CSU Extension: Dan Schroder reported that his main focus in Summit County is wildfire mitigation. He shared with the group maps of all the mitigation work done in Summit county through the Summit County Wildfire Council. Katlin also noted that she is working with Dan on a Summit County Wildfire guide like the Grand County Wildfire Guide. Lastly, Dan agreed to partner with MPCD again this year to distribute seed to Summit County residents.

CSFS: Ryan reported that work is being done at the CSFS Nursery, however, there is still no estimated date for reopening. The CSFS Granby Office has been busy with fuels mitigation and fuels treatments in both Grand and Summit Counties. Ryan noted that there are approximately 40 forest ag producers in Middle Park. Katlin asked Ryan to please distribute the LWG Survey to forest ag producers in order to get their perspectives as well as regular ag producers. Ryan agreed.

MPCD Reports:

DM: Katlin reported that she hasn't been up to too much as winter is a slow time. However, she is gearing up for spring and has already ordered our seed shipment. Katlin also noted that she is no longer working for the Grand County Wildfire Council, but she has accepted the Education Coordinator position for Grand County Water Information Network (GCWIN). GCWIN is the organization that organizes the bug week and watershed field trips. Katlin has been helping with these field trips for years, so the job seemed natural to add on.

DCT: Mark reported that he has been working on EQIP signups and closing out 2022 projects.

Financials: Katlin presented the financials to the board.

MOTION: <i>Approve Financials as presented.</i>		
Motion Made By:	Second Made By:	Vote Outcome
John Longhill	Justin Fosha	Approved

Old Business

FOLBR Soils: FOLBR is looking to do mycelium (mushroom) treatments on lands involved in the study. MPCD/NRCS has sent a letter to FOLBR stating that we do not support mycelium as a preferred treatment option and that we recommend landowners meet with our office to discuss their individual resource concerns.

2023 Election Resolution (Deb, Jay, John): Katlin reported that Deb, Jay, and John all completed self-nomination forms and that no other self-nomination forms were received. Thus, Katlin canceled the election per the "RESOLUTION APPOINTING A DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL AND AUTHORIZING DESIGNATED ELECTION OFFICIAL TO CANCEL ELECTION" that was approved by the board in December 2022.

2023 Projects: In December, the Board was asked to think about any special projects or focuses that Katlin should spend time on in 2023. When asked again, the Board has no specific requests for Katlin other than increasing our ADA digital accessibility.

New Business:

Approval of Exemption from Audit:

MOTION: <i>Vote to approve 2022 Exemption from Audit performed by Tim Day of Fraser Tax Associates as presented.</i>		
Motion Made By:	Second Made By:	Vote Outcome
John Longhill	Brien Rose	Approved

Streamline Website Accessibility Discussion

Katlin reported that she recently learned about a state law that requires local governments to be ADA-compliant with respect to digital assets (websites, social media, and digital documents) by 2024. She said that CSCB had recently held a workshop about it, and coincidentally, she also received a phone call from a company called Streamline that helps special districts become ADA-compliant. Katlin said that she did her research, and this is a credible company. Katlin told the board that it would take more time, effort, and knowledge to get our District into compliance than she can do, so she asked the Board to strongly consider engaging with Streamline to take over our website hosting and redesign. Katlin will still have full control over the content, but Streamline will ensure that we are compliant with all laws. After much discussion, the following motion was made.

MOTION: <i>Vote to engage in website hosting and website redesign with Streamline, thereby ending our hosting with WebEZ, to increase website accessibility and comply with website accessibility laws.</i>		
Motion Made By:	Second Made By:	Vote Outcome
Brien Rose	John Longhill	Approved

Closing Round Table: None

Adjourn: 1:15 pm with a motion by John Longhill and a second by Brien Rose