

Gunnison Conservation District

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Board Meeting Minutes June 17, 2020

Regular Meeting Held via Zoom video conferencing

<u>Board Members Present</u>: Jan Coury, President; Bill Ketterhagen, Vice President; Brooke Vasquez, Supervisor; Dan Zadra, Supervisor.

Board Members Absent: John Rozman, Supervisor; Rufus Wilderson, Treasurer.

Employees Present: Aleshia Rummel, Sam Liebl

Employees Absent: None

Others Present: None.

<u>Call to Order:</u> Coury called the meeting to order at 6:10 pm.

Partner Updates

None given.

Approval of Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes from the regular meeting of May 20, 2020.

Rummel noted spelling errors, and Liebl said the errors would be corrected in the final minutes.

ACTION: Zadra moved to accept the minutes. Ketterhagen seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

The Board reviewed the financial statements for May.

ACTION: Zadra moved to approve the treasurer's report for April. Zadra seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Old Business

Grants Status

Rummel said Paul Jones of the Upper Gunnison River Water Conservancy District contacted the District last week about a contract with NFWF. Jones said that there was an extra \$150,000 to be spent, so Rummel said she is working with Jones to see if some of that funding could go toward cheatgrass work related to wet meadow restorations.

Zadra asked Rummel whether this was the same NFWF project for which Jones had written a large grant earlier in the year. Rummel said that this was a different one, and that the large grant Zadra referenced was not awarded.

Seedling Sales

Liebl said seedling sales and deliveries had been completed for the year. Liebl said that he expected the costs and revenue to be close to break even because of delivery expenses incurred because of COVID restrictions.

New Business

Staff Updates

Rummel said she has been working with Dan Olson at NRCS to wrap up EQIP work. She said she is talking with Katie Walsh of NRCS to do more fieldwork together later in the summer. Otherwise, Rummel said she has been working with Paul on the NFWF opportunity and that there could be another similar funding opportunity through the US Fish and Wildlife Service, which would be due in September. She said Gunnison County work is much slower this year, probably because of the slow down in spending associated with the pandemic.

Liebl said he has been busy with seed and herbicide sales and deliveries, and that demand for seed and herbicide has been strong so far this summer.

Vasquez asked Liebl if CARES Act funding could cover delivery costs. Liebl said that those costs would be eligible for reimbursement.

Vasquez asked if there had been word about the re-opening of NRCS offices. Rummel said she had not heard any news and that she expects telework to continue through the end of July.

Next Meeting

By:

The regular May meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 15, 2020 at 6:00pm via Zoom video web conferencing.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:	These minutes of the Regular Meeting of the	ne Board of Supervisors of March 5,
2020 were approved by	y the Board of Supervisors at their regular me	eeting of

Gunnison	Conservation	District

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:30 p.m.

Supervisor, Gunnison Conservation District				