Fall River Resource Conservation District

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Meeting Minutes Fall River RCD, July 19th, 2022 M.C.T.O. at 7:10 pm

Board Members Present: Bill Buckman [X], Clay Jacobson [X], Chuck Macfarlane [X] Don Martin [X], Chris Christofferson [X], Pat Oilar [X],

Staff: Sharmie Stevenson [X], Todd Sloat [], Julie Allen [X]

Public Comment: None

Guests in attendance: Chris Camarata

Via phone: None

New Business

2022/2023 Budget Approval: Sharmie handed out the draft budget for 22/23 for review. She notified the board that there are CCI and CEC grants with approaching expiration dates, the remaining monies for those grants has to be expended prior to those dates. Discussion on budget followed. M/S/C Don/Clay to approve the 22/23 budget, motion carried.

Sierra Nevada Conservancy Grant Approval: Tabled

McArthur Swamp 22/23 Hunting Season: Julie discussed the Pit Blinds located at the Snake Pond on the Swamp and asked if the board how they wanted to approach leasing the blinds for the 2022/23 season. Discussion followed. M/S/C Pat/Don to lease blinds with the same process and rate as the 2021/22 season, as well as putting two blinds on the FRPU property. Julie will also look into additional locations to place more blinds on the Swamp.

Intermountain Youth Sports Fundraiser: Clay notified and invited the board to a fundraiser being held at the Trap shooting range on July 30th starting at 10am. The fundraiser will include a shoot-a-thon as well as a raffle. Clay notified that the club received an NRA grant to build sidewalks and places to store throwers. Construction is expected to start next month.

Old Business

New Board Member: Chris Camarata sat in on the board meeting as he is interested in possibly becoming the new board member. He will get back to the RCD.

Hire WUI Coordinator: Sharmie notified the board that Evan Watson would be filling the WUI position, hired as a consultant for the RCD.

Office Remodel Updates: Don wrote a letter to Mary Rickert regarding the difficulty and delay in getting permits for the office remodel. Sharmie is expecting to pick up electrical plans on Monday (7/25).

Consent Calendar

Minutes June 28th, 2022 Regular Meeting Expenditures 06/28/2022 – 07/18/2022 M/S/C Don/Chris, motion carried.

Executive Director Report

IRWM – Int Mtn Fair Project – Well Drilling: Sharmie sent in the engineer's letter to the county, should be expecting permits shortly. Agreement with the fairgrounds is in the works.

Sharmie also presented the grant status report accurate up to the end of the quarter. She notified the board that any grants with end dates of 2023 must have funds expended prior to the end dates. Discussion followed.

Range Manager Report

Julie notified the board that the DU and WCB projects were moving along well. WCB has asked for a final grant proposal, the proposal will be submitted at the end of August. Julie also notified the board that she had discussed the potential area of farming along McArthur Rd with Todd Sloat who suggested she get in contact with Wendy Johnston with Vestra regarding potential wetlands on the property. Julie, Sharmie, and Todd had a phone conference with Wendy who suggested reaching out to Vollmar to carry out some preliminary wetland mapping of the proposed farming site. Julie and Sharmie reached out to John Vollmar who will provide a preliminary wetland map. Julie and Sharmie will review the map and move forward with a wetland delineation if necessary.

Adjourned at 8:50 p.m. by Chairman Buckman

Next Regular Meeting Date – Tuesday – August 16th, 2022 at 7:00 PM