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Eureka, MT 59917

406-297-2233

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS MEETING

May 21, 2025, 4:00 pm

American Forestry Building, Libby

Board of Supervisors

Kathleen Johnson-Chair

Gary Pershall-Vice Chair

John DeLeo-Treasurer

Don Crawford

Randy Evins

Ed Braaten-absent

Associate Supervisor

Wayne Maahs

Kurt West-Planning Board-absent

District Administrator

Rhonda Rockwell

Advisors

Brian Stephens- MT FWP

Brian Ressel-NRCS-absent

Guests

Rae Lynn Hays-Grant Admin

Call Meeting to Order: 4:02pm

Public Comment

Sabrina Pickersgill- AIS Site Lead

Sabrina updated the board on the station. They are operating at the weigh station under a state permit. Options to get water to the station were discussed. A wage increase request was made by Sabrina.

Minutes

- Motion to approve April 19th Meeting Minutes by Don C.
- Second by John D.
- Motion passed unanimously.

Financial Report

Treasurers Report by John D.

- Motion to approve April Financial Report by Don C.
- Second by Kathleen J.
- Motion passes unanimously.

MT FW&P- Brian S.

Brian explained sampling techniques. When asked, Brian mentioned that Burbot are just not producing like they used to.



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District Administrators Report

Volunteer hours were recorded.

Grant Administrator Report-

Rae Lynn received the draft copy of the Grave Creek Preliminary engineering report. She looked over it and she gave her comments to the engineer. The engineer will continue working on that.

The Watercraft Inspection Station submitted an invoice for expenses and will be reimbursed by FWP.

The Glen Lake Dam Outlet Works grant was unfortunately denied. If GLID receives money from FEMA they may reconsider. There was a small amount of funding compared to usual which most likely contributed to their decision.

The next grant opportunity is the Administrative Grant. It covers 310 reimbursement and dues. Rae Lynn will need the meeting minutes and Preliminary Budget to go with that application.

Grant writing expenses were discussed that the district would like to consider what hourly rates are for those services. John D. brought out that 5 years ago it was 75-120 an hour. Board wants to see it on the agenda for next meeting. Rae Lynn mentioned putting it as Grave Creek Preliminary Engineering on the next agenda.

Kurt West-Planning Board

310 Permits

C-10-02-22, Neumann, Phillips, Fisher River

Kim More still has not gotten back to Rhonda after multiple attempts. There may be a need to find another way to reach her. Hailey recommended talking to the County Attorney. John D. asked if there is any way to go over her head.

Li-05-01-25, Slesar, Yaak River

- Motion by John D. to accept and approve.
- Second by Don C.
- Motion passes unanimously

Li-05-02-25, Sanders, Yaak River

- Motion by John D. to accept and approve.
- Second by Kathleen J.
- Motion passes unanimously



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Li-05-03-25, Ekman, Tobacco River

- Motion to accept and postpone by John D.
- Second by Don C.
- Motion passes unanimously

Li-05-04-25, Therriault Homeowners Assoc., Therriault Creek

Don C. explained the site visit. The bridge needs redecked. There will be minor modifications to the channel and armor the abutments.

- Motion to accept and approve with modifications by Don C.
- Second by John D.
- Motion passes unanimously

Li-05-05-25, Dunlap Hay Ranch, Brimstone Creek

Don C. explained the site visit. The channel seems to have been widened by cattle. It seems there is a better solution. The application seems unclear as to a good solution. John D. mentioned a schematic included with dimensions would be nice. Brian mentioned that his team report could be shared with applicant.

- Motion by John D. to deny application and reapply with more information as discussed during site visit.
- Second by Don C.
- Motion passes unanimously.

Li-05-06-25, Dunlap Hay Ranch, Fortine Creek

- Motion to accept and approve by Don C.
- Second by John D.
- Motion passes unanimously

Li-05-07-25, Haxholdt, Therriault Creek

- Motion to postpone by Kathleen J.
- Second by John D.
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Li-05-07-25, Bubbas Excavating, No Name Spring

Gary explained that at the site visit there was no evidence of a perennial stream at the project site.

- Motion by Randy E. this is not a project.
- Second Don C.
- Motion passed unanimously.

C-05-09-25, DEQ, Franklin, Meadow Creek

It was discussed that another look could be beneficial. Floodplain department has been contacted. It is not a mapped floodplain. It was discussed that hearing Ed Braaten's team report in person is best.

- Motion to postpone and hear Eds team report in person by Don C.
- Second by John D.
- Motion passed unanimously.

Li-05-10-25, Schultz, Yaak River

- Motion to approve by Don C.
- Second by Kathleen J.
- Motion passed unanimously.

Postponed 310s

Li-04-03-25, BDH Land solutions, Indian Creek

Don C. explained the site visit. They want to open the area up a bit in specified areas along the bank. It is overgrown and has a lot of dead brushy debris along bank.

- Motion to accept and approve by Don C.
- Second by John D.
- Motion passes unanimously.

Li-12-04-24, Driggs, Indian Creek

Nothing new has been provided. Applicant has requested more time.

- Motion by Randy E. postpone
- Second by Kathleen J.



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- Motion passes unanimously

Unfinished Business

None

New Business

Form 280 revision

- Motion by Don C. to amend by removing arbitration request.
- Second by John D.
- Motion passes unanimously

FY-26 CDA Grant Application

- Motion by Kathleen J. to approve.
- Second by John D.
- Motion passes unanimously.

Payroll Services

- Motion to have Bobbi Van Horn/Blossom Bookkeeping Services process payroll and quarterly reports. by John D
- Second by Don C.
- Motion passes unanimously

Glatfelter Liability Insurance Renewal

- Motion to approve renewal by John D.
- Second by Don C.
- Motion passes unanimously.

AIS Station Wages

- Motion by Don C. to give a 2.00 hour raise to AIS employees by Don C.
- Second by Kathleen J.
- Motion passes unanimously.



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Permissive Medical Mill Levy

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- Second by John D.
- Motion passes unanimously.

Fiscal year 2025/2026 Preliminary Budget

Budget was discussed. AIS will have higher expenses this year. The board needs to take into consideration Capital Expenditures they may be interested in.

- Motion by John D. to approve.
- Second by Don C.
- Motion passes unanimously.

Unfinished Business

Weed Spraying Operation

How to advertise was discussed. Newspapers, Facebook and our LCD website are options. It was brought out that we should make the community aware of the equipment without trying to put people who spray privately out of business. It was mentioned that the private sprayers are very booked. It should be noted that the equipment is for personal use only. It was also a concern that the person who uses it understands that if they break it, it is out of commission for everyone. It should be said in the ad that the County is offering equipment to loan through LCD. It was mentioned that Mike Braden should be asked about what he tells the public regarding breakage of equipment in the past. We would not want to hold the public liable to the weed department beyond what they wish.

- Motion by Don C. to approve advertising equipment on LCD website and Facebook after speaking with Mike B.
- Second by John D.
- Motion passes unanimously.

Filling Supervisor Vacancy

Discussion about advertising was discussed. Everyone will keep in mind to think of possible choices for supervisors.



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Final inspection Reports

Li-12-02-24, Cochran, Kingsley Creek

- Motion by Kathleen J. to close
- Second by Randy E.
- Motion passes unanimously.

Open mic and other business

Adjourned at 6:32 pm

X  Date 6-18-25 X _____ Date _____
Kathleen Johnson-Chair Rhonda Rockwell-Administrator