



Meeting Minutes January 15th 2025

Supervisors Present	Employees Present
Mary Reed	Morgan Owens
Bill Naegeli	Advisors Present
Kristen Wing	Arthur Potts-Zoom
Nancy Mehaffie	Dillon Martini
Mark Bronner	Jason Blakney-Zoom
Visitors Present	
Mark Nelson	
Cynthia Neste	
Annie Wooden	

Meeting called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Agenda items not always taken in order that they appear.

INTRODUCTIONS

- This meeting is being recorded.

PUBLIC COMMENT

MINUTES FROM December 11th, 2024 MEETING

- Minutes were approved as submitted.

310 ACTIVITIES

SW-01-24 Nelson Noxon Reservoir

- Mark Nelson (landowner) presented his project to the board. There was discussion about the impact the removal of the old logs would have on the bank. Arthur Potts (Avista) suggested doing a site visit and discussed backfilling behind new logs. Jason Blakney (FWP) said the project looked good and was fine with doing a site visit.
- A motion to accept the application with a site visit as complete was made by Bill, 2nd by Mary. Motion carries.

FINANCIAL REPORT

- The financial report for December was approved as submitted.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT:

- Morgan went over what a Local Working Group meeting is and its purpose, then discussed the main points of everything that was covered during the December 12th Local Working Group Meeting in Plains. The minutes from that meeting were available to review. Dillon reiterated some programs that overlapped in the Local Working Group and his report. Bill talked about the community wildfire protection program.
- Quickbooks price change from \$650/year to \$910/year on the payroll subscription

LOWER CLARK FORK WATERSHED GROUP (LCFWG) REPORT

- No report

MONTANA FWP

- No report

NRCS

- Dillon discussed what Targeted Implementation Plan (TIP)s are. He just submitted two new TIPs for haystack fencing and forestry in Plains. His current TIPs are cover crops, white pine restoration, Roots for Rivers and Aspen Restoration.

AVISTA UTILITIES UPDATE

- Kirby Gulch project completed, just have to do the seeding in the spring.
- The terrestrial technical advisory meeting is coming up for Arthur to propose his future projects.

NORTH WESTERN ENERGY (NWE) UPDATE

- No report

PUBLIC EDUCATION

SUPERVISOR/EMPLOYEE EDUCATION.

OLD BUSINESS

- There was not a motion/vote on having a set representative for the Aquatic Invasive Species Task Force. Nancy said she would attend the January meeting and then other supervisors could attend on a rotating basis.

BUILDING REPAIR/GROUNDS MAINTENANCE

- Kristen presented three bids from Rick Wing for a bathroom remodel, a new back deck with ramp and replacement of all the windows. No motions were made. Nancy asked Kristen to get finalized bathroom remodel bid so the board could take a vote.

EQUIPMENT

- Gopher-getter will be placed in a future public auction. Morgan will notify the board and community members what auction and when once details are finalized.

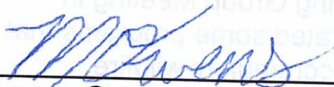
NEW BUSINESS

- Swearing in and oath of office for Kristen Wing and Mark Bronner
- A motion to keep Nancy as chair was made and withdrawn by Kristen.
- A motion to keep all the officers the same was made by Bill, no 2nd. Motion does not carry.
- A motion to make Kristen Vice chair and Mary the treasurer was made by Nancy, 2nd by Mary. Bill vote no-motion carries.
- A motion to keep Nancy as chair was made by Kristen, 2nd by Mark. Motion carries.
- There was discussion on the value of the NACD conference and whether or not it was worth the financial obligation to attend. Kristen was approved for the MACD scholarship to cover her registration cost. A motion to cover Kristen's mileage and hotel to attend NACD conference in Salt Lake was made by Nancy, 2nd by Mary. Nancy, Mary and Kristen vote yes; Mark and Bill vote no- motion carries.
- Morgan's formal evaluation forms to be turned into Nancy and given to Morgan. There was discussion on the option on health insurance benefits for Morgan and at this time the current health stipend will remain the same. A motion to grant Morgan a raise from \$20 to the 2023 state average of \$21.75 was made Bill, 2nd by Mark. There was discussion about coming down from that number and meeting in the middle. Bill's reasoning was turnover rates and cost of living. Motion carries.

PUBLIC COMMENT

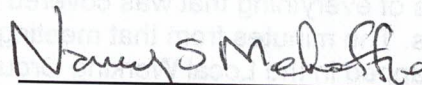
Meeting adjourned at 747 pm.

Respectfully Submitted.



Morgan Owens
District Administrator

Approved.



Nancy Mehaffie
Chairman