



HIGH DESERT CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGULAR MEETING Minutes
June 9, 2020
4:09-5:27 pm

Planting Seeds of Inspiration to Promote Conscious Stewardship of our Natural Resources

4:09 CALL TO ORDER - Suzanne Aikin, President

Virtually Present by Zoom meeting: Suzanne Aikin, Joanne Teetzel Joe Lanier, Jim Farrier and Adam Kackstetter, Hassan Hourmanesh, Greg Vlaming
Absent: Joel Lee NRCS

INTRODUCTION OF VISITORS - none

APPROVAL OF AGENDA Motion to accept by David, seconded by Joanne - passed

APPROVAL OF May MINUTES Motion to accept by Joanne, seconded by Hassan - passed

OFFICER REPORTS

Secretary/Treasurer – Hassan Hourmanesh – We are limited on what we can do with our public funds, and he agrees that re-enrolling our CD seems like the way to go even though rates are low right now.

STAFF REPORTS

DM – Greg Vlaming

Greg has initiated the soil health trials by laying out all plots, mapping, taking soil samples, and spreading compost.

The Nozzle Exchange program is in full swing, He has helped three people with new nozzles so far. He will keep helping irrigators in Montezuma county until the money runs out.

The narrative has been submitted for a Ballantine Grant.

Greg is looking for help making a flyer to advertise our manure spreader for rent.

Hassan said he would help.

OLD BUSINESS

Website - The Website builder Contact Adam gave Greg at the last meeting did not respond, So David will forward Greg contact info for a website builder he knows: JJ Stark.

NEW BUSINESS

Cares Act - Suzanne applied for HD CD to be eligible for up to \$500 worth of Cares Act funding. We would have until December 31st 2020 to purchase things like PPE, Hand Sanitizer, or a new computer,

Board Recruitment and Restructuring – David knows two people he will speak to and see if they are interested. There was discussion of recruiting new board members that are not Agriculture producers because producers lack much time to give and there are at least 4 producers on the board already. Perhaps the board could recruit people that have more time to give in hopes that they will want to assume Board Officer roles. Suzanne sent out a detailed description of individual board member duties and responsibilities. Adam agreed to assume the role of Board secretary as long as his required duties included merely drafting agendas and taking meeting minutes, all other responsibilities will be accomplished if/when has the time.

New Bank Signatures – We need to update the authorized signatures of both our Dolores State Bank and Four Corners Community accounts to show the authorized signers as Suzanne, Hassan, and Greg.

***Action Items**

- * DCT application is due August 19th, Gretchen will help us with it.
- * CSCB matching Grant coming up in July. Suzanne will speak with Gretchen and Greg will figure out how much money he wants to spend on the Nozzle Exchange program.
- * Greg will check in with Ken Curtis to see what kind of finding might be available in the next grant cycle
- *Direct assistance funding (\$7500) is expected to be available through CSCB this July

5:27 ADJOURN – Suzanne Aikin, President

NEXT WORKGROUP MEETING: TBA
Location: TBA

NEXT BOARD MEETING: July 14, 2020
USDA Service Center 4:00-6:00