

ADAMS SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
203 South Galena St. P.O. Box 26 Council, Idaho 83612
Chairman: Wendy Green Phone: 208-253-4668

Board Meeting Minutes

Date, Time, Location: February 12, 2025; 6 PM; at office and via Zoom

Present: Chairman Wendy Green; Supervisor Judy Dietch;
Supervisor Charles Munden; Supervisor Kris Stone;
Meghan Brooksher ISWCC via Zoom; Bill Lillibridge
via Zoom; Ron Brooks via Zoom

Call to Order: Wendy called the meeting to order @ 6:01 PM

Approval of Agenda: Judy moved to approve the February 12, 2025
Agenda. Charles seconded the motion, and the
board approved.

Approval of Minutes: Judy moved to approve December 11, 2024
Minutes with corrections. Kris seconded the
motion, and the board approved.

Miscellaneous Business (Non Action):

ISWCC Report: Meghan reported that Loretta presented the
commission report to the State House Ag Affairs
Committee and Delwyne will present the report to
the State Senate Ag Affairs Committee on
February 18th. Delwyne is optimistic that the
commission will receive WQPA funding from the
state.

Dani Roseman will be taking over Jake Connley
position in the Division Four area at the Jerome
USDA FSA office. Another NRC position is also
open at the Soda Springs office. Meghan
reminded the board that the 5 Yr/Annual plan are

due March 31st and that the Division III Meeting in Bruneau is on February 20th.

Bill reported that he is waiting to see if the state will fund WQPA. He also said he is waiting to see what the federal government will do regarding funds. Many funds could be placed on hold or canceled and some agencies like DEQ aren't sure what will happen.

NRCS Report:

Ron had technical difficulties with Zoom and couldn't give his report. Meghan did state that Ron told her earlier that EQIP application ranking deadline was last Friday. Approximately 100 applications were submitted to the team 5 offices and about 90 of them are eligible.

IASCD Director's Report:

The Division III meeting will be on February 20th and will be hosted in Bruneau. Wendy and Charles are planning to attend the meeting. Wendy will present our district report at the meeting and ask the board what they should report.

Some of the past projects to report on would be the WQPA riparian fencing projects and Little Salmon willow planting projects. Some future projects are items would be the Thorn Creek project, leasing out the no till drill, and giving our scholarships.

Wendy is hoping to find someone else or have districts help with the IASCD website. They are currently paying a IT individual \$500/month.

Old Business (Action):

Partners Report:

N/A

No Till Drill Updates:	More No Till Drill cards have been made.
<u>New Business (Action):</u>	
Wendy Green Swearing In:	Wendy Green sworn in as a supervisor and will continue as chairman.
Local Gov Investment pool:	The board would like to review the local government investment pool and decide in the March meeting if they should invest.
Scholarships:	Kris has given out the scholarship information and deadlines (April 5 th) to the local schools and posted them on the district's website. The scholarship will be \$1,000 per student. <u>Judy moved to allocate \$200 to put a display ad in the paper in regard to scholarships. Charles seconded the motion, and the board approved.</u>
Annual/5 Yr plan:	The Annual/5 Yr plan is due in March and Holden will email last year's plan to the board to review. The district at next month's meeting will finalize this year's Annual/5 Year Plan.
Soil Health Symposium:	The soil health symposium was the week before in which the board members were able to attend. They enjoyed the two speakers they had and said the symposium had a great attendance at approximately 170+ people.
Report for Adams County:	The district is on the Adams County commissioner agenda for February 18 th . The district will give them a report on the district's activities this past year and their plans.
City of Council & New Meadows:	The district will try to get on with the city's meeting agendas this spring.

Payroll Service:

Betty McKee has offered to do payroll for the district for \$20/month. The district would like to speak with her at the next meeting about payroll and other bookkeeping responsibilities.

Treasurer's Report (Action):

Main/CWMA Accounts:

The main account balance was \$65,479.76 and the CWMA balance was \$1,844.53. The district credit card account was placed on hold due to possible fraudulent charges, but it was determined that there were not any. The board reviewed the charges the district had for the last two months and the bills that were due.

Judy moved to approve the Treasurer's Report.
Charles seconded the motion, and the board approved.

Closing Remarks:

Items for March Agenda:

City of Council/New Meadows meetings, Payroll service/bookkeeping, Water test day, ID Ag in Classroom, 5 Yr/Annual Plan, sage brush seeds, Forestry Contest, grants, new board member.

Next regular meeting will be March 12th at 6:00 p.m. via Zoom/Office

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Holden McKee