

Fall River Resource Conservation District

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Regular Meeting Minutes Fall River RCD, February 20th, 2024
M.C.T.O. at 6:04 pm

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

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

Public Comment: None

Guests in attendance: Imanol Perez, Callie McArthur
Via phone: None

New Business

Payroll Checks – Tabled

Community Garden Senior Project – Imanol Perez would like to create a community garden to provide produce to the food bank in McArthur as his senior project. Imanol asked the board if he could carry out his senior project on the RCD property adjacent to the RCD office. He has various vegetable plants donated towards the project. Approximate size of project would be 50'x100', Imanol is responsible of clean up of the area after completion of the project. Short discussion on the potential for project to continue in future years. M/S Chris Camarata/Clay Jacobson to allow Imanol to utilize property adjacent to RCD office, water, and power, if needed, for community garden. Motion passed. Imanol and Callie will put together a plan and present at the next meeting.

OPR Round 3 Funding – Tabled

Equipment Storage Area – Revisit discussion on designating an equipment storage area for the skid steer, flat bed trailer and other potential equipment. Open lot and shed behind the office were discussed. Julie will bring options for fencing and costs to the next board meeting.

CDA Dinner and Duck Hunt – Move forward with buying a table and donating a junior duck hunt at the Snake Pond.

Office Photos and Open House – Julie has photos of RCD owned properties and general Fall River Valley that could be hung in the office. M/S Pat Oilar/Clay Jacobson to spend up to \$750 on mix of photos of RCD owned properties and RCD projects/Fall River Valley. Motion passed. Discussed hosting an open house later in the spring. Tabled for later discussion.

Wildfire Resilience Block Grant – Tabled

Consent Calendar:

Minutes December 11th, 2023 M/S Pat Oilar/Clay Jacobson to approve minutes. Motion passed.

Expenditures 012/11/2023 – 02/20/24 – Tabled until next meeting.

Old Business:

None

Executive Director's Report:

NRCS Letter Response - Tabled
Range Manager Grant Close Out - Tabled
Office Remodel Update - Tabled
Forest Service Project Updates - Tabled

Range Manager's Report:

DU Well Updates – No update at this time.

Partners Project Update – Project is moving forward, working on securing contractors for the project.

McArthur Rd Pivot – Received a response from the Army Corp, however response did not provide any more information than what we already knew. Working with NRCS on the wetland determination for the pivot area.

PGE Water Supply Agreement – Working to amend current water agreement to adjust for increase in power rates over the past two years; rate paid per AUM should reflect increase in power rates. Julie will look into timers, other plans, ag rates vs household rates.

Regular meeting adjourned at 7:23 p.m. by Chairman Buckman

Next Regular Meeting Date – Tuesday March 19th, 2024 at 7:00 PM