

Minidoka Soil and Water Conservation District

Minutes for May 9th Rupert Field office

Meeting called to order at 1:15 p.m. by Chairman Brian Kossman, those in attendance were Chairman Brian Kossman, V. Chair Russ Suchan, Luke Adams, Treasurer Dusty Wilkins on the phone Carolyn Firth -SWCC, David Mabey-NRCS, Sharon Wilmot- Admin

Minutes of the April, 11th meeting was reviewed, and approved with a motion by Russ, second by Luke.

Treasurers report was presented with a motion from Dusty to approve the bills, and second by Russ. Motion carried.

The budget was presented with some discussion of possible outline changes for the next year. Motion to accept this budget was made by Russ with a second by Luke. Motion carried.

Booklet for the commissioners was reviewed, the signature page signed. The appointment for Brian to meet with them is May 20th at 10:00 a.m.

Scholarships for Minico High School will be McKenzie Walton and William Harrison, Brian will present a certificate to them at the School awards assembly but the check will be presented at the Tri-District picnic.

One application was presented for NRC this summer. A motion to pay \$130.00 (half the registration) for Drayke Bair was made by Luke with a second by Russ. Motion carried.

Brian presented information on the Division IV soil sample project to gather viable information on cover crops to be able to present at the Workshops. In our District it was decided a dry farm and two rotation practices on opposite ends of the county would be of value. Russ volunteered his dry farm, Luke to the East and Brian to the West volunteered their rotation practice farms for this 5-year project. Carolyn will assist in evaluation of data.

Water Quality -Student project... KMVT will match advertising money used in their station, we just need to contact Scott Peirce in the sales department (208 933 2826) he suggested at least \$1000. Up front money to use just for advertising through them. The plan is to have a senior use this for their project.

Trees, we bagged them and they are in the process of being picked up.

David reported that it looks like about \$65.00 for nematode testing for a beet/potato field for Blake Hansen that the District is being asked to cover.

There is no new information on the NRCS joint Tri-District employee.

No Supervisors reports

Admin Report. The job duties for Admin need updated, a copy of the most up to date information was presented to those in attendance to review for meeting in June. Sharon stated that there are several springs on the drill that need replace, Luke is the next renter to take the drill he will look it over and get that parts and fix it before it is returned to the District for the next renter. Sharon has an IDEA meeting in Arco on Friday the 12th. IDEA pays the mileage and provides lunch.

SWCC report – Carolyn stated due to and oversight with the state representatives all the rules for the commission cease to exist as of today. The Governor is working on a signed statement to rectify the issue. Parts of the rules are in question, and will be addressed also, such as anti-degradation rule, loans, District allocations, to name a few. The Tracker project is moving forward with information on line.

Brian declared the meeting adjourned at 3:00p.m. respectfully submitted by Sharon Wilmot.