

VALLEY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
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JUNE ZOOM MINUTES

THURSDAY JUNE 2, 2022 9:00 A.M. ZOOM

Members Online: Art Troutner, John Lillehaug, Bill Leaf by phone

Members Absent and Excused: Colt Brown

Others Online: Bill Lillibridge, ISWCC; Ed Allen, Valley Co Commissioner; Joe Peterson, ISWCC; Gary Brown, Trout Unlimited; Cynda Herrick, Valley Co. Planning & Zoning; Lenard Long, FoLC; Dani Terhaar, IDEQ; Pam Pace and Durena Farr, VSWCD

VSWCD Meeting called to Order by Art Troutner at 9:05 a.m.

Action Item: John Lillehaug moved to approve and sign May 5, 2022 minutes. Bill Leaf seconded and motion carried with all in favor. Draft minutes emailed to board

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Guests and Guest Organization introductions and updates:
 - a. Gary Brown advised on the Heinrich Lane project work day planting on the NFPR. Expecting about 20 volunteers including the ICC crew with . June 10 IDFG Idaho Fish Fest June 16th ; MDHS lawn fly casting clinic. TU is going to assist IDFG Jordan Messner with stream temperature monitoring this summer with TU Chapter training on June 8th IDFG office, all are invited to participate. Cynda Herrick asked if the Heinrich project was in the floodplain, and all work in the floodplain requires a permit.
 - b. Dani Terhaar, IDEQ, Water Quality Analyst for Big Payette Lake and Cascade Reservoir monitoring. Also, Dani is our HAB response contact. She discussed being called over concerns at Warm Lake. Sampling but did not find cyanobacteria; turnover was most likely the source of the bloom.
 - c. Valley County P & Z: Cynda Herrick or Lori Hunter
Hearings June 9th 6:00 p.m. and June 23rd 6:00 p.m.
 - d. Lenard requested to report on Cascade Reservoir water quality conditions while IDEQ Dani Terhaar was still on the call; FoLC sampled on June 1 showing cooler conditions (53-56 degrees) than last year (63-65 degrees); clarity from secci disk 10 ft; 6 ft in tributaries; ph normal, conductivity normal; oxygen normal; lake storage 89% full; discharge at 1200 cfs. Dominant phytoplankton diatoms and green algae (last year same time cyanobacteria was dominant). The reservoir is really in great condition at this time.
 - e. Valley County Waterways Management Plan input/additions from VSWCD. Art Troutner joined the plan meeting via zoom. He reported the Management Plan seems to lack conclusions and detail other then suggesting to increase no-wake zones overall. For Cascade reservoir, the no wake zone should follow the shoreline as water levels go up and down.
 - f. **Action Item:** Pam read the letter supporting Valley County cloud seeding to the VSWCD board. John Lillehaug moved to provide Letter of support as amended to pursue Idaho Power Valley County cloud seeding and IDWR Ground Water Study. Bill Leaf seconded and motion carried with all in favor. VSWCD is scheduled to appear on June 27th to present letter to Valley Co Commissioners.
 - g. Pam Pace reported good news for the June Water Supply Outlook. Rain 3.21 inches, temperatures 2.3 degrees below normal, increased snowpack, inflows will increase this week, Cascade reservoir at 70% exceedance(still below normal) down from 90% exceedance, but reservoir will fill, the current releases are flood control releases as snowpack melt begins. Pam reported that she attended the Idaho Climate-Economy Impacts Assessment meeting at Tamarack Resort, presented by UI. Pam felt the UI report from the meeting was useful and can be found at Udaho.edu/iceia, and would be a good resource for grant applications, good data. Pam will be unavailable for July and August board meetings.
 - h. Project Site evaluations with Bill Lillibridge and Dave Bingaman, Brush Creek (north of Meanders), Cabarton and Cascade Reservoir landowner shoreline assistance request.
 - i. Other Agency updates: NRCS (VSWCD project evaluation - Boulder Dam/Roseberry Irrigation District);
 - j. Joe Peterson provided ISWCC report. District Survey due July 31st, Financial and Match Report and Certification Page due August 16th (requires board action item). WQPA applications will be reviewed June 15th
 - k. **Action Item:** Valley Co Fair moved to August 1-6, conflicts with August 4th Board Meeting. Action tabled to July Board Meeting. Art Troutner will not be attending July meeting.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Forestry Tour and Seedling Sales update from John Lillehaug. Seedling sales deposits and Tour recap
2. LakeASyst document review and distribution plan, posting on websites (McKenzie Kramer Valley County website, VSWCD website)
3. Source Water Protection Grant Septic Pump-out Pilot updates and schedule, FoLC Lenard Long
4. Workplan updates for 319 Grant S696 from June 4th 10 a.m. Heinrich Lane NFPR Bank Restoration IDFG, NRCS, TU field day, ICC crew participation
5. ICC Fencing Project update switching crews, new end date 6/17/2022

FINANCIAL ACTION ITEMS:

1. **Action Item:** John Lillehaug moved to accept and file Treasurer's Report: QB register reports, bank reconciliations for June 30, 2022 General account and 319 account including Board approved recurring payments include Ziplly Fiber, NPERS, PERSI and Payroll Processing (includes payroll payment to US Treasury and quarterly payroll payments by Central Mountain CPA). Bill Leaf seconded, motion carried with all approving.
2. Approval of VSWCD FY23 Budget is carried over to the July agenda

P & Z JUNE AGENDAS:

JUNE 9TH HEARING 6 P.M.:

CUP 22-14 HALL'S RV SITE 6 RVs on 5 acres, pond installed, access off Atkin Lane near clear creek with individual well and septic system.

CUP 22-15 JAMES SOLAR PANELS

CUP 22-16 CAMP MODERN 3 acres, 6 tents, west of Gestrin Well Drilling

CUP 22-17 TAMARACK MOUNTAIN KENNELS 6 ACRE ANIMAL BOARDING FOR UP TO 10 DOGS

JUNE 23RD HEARING 6 P.M.:

CUP 22-18 BLACKHAWK ON THE RIVER BLOCK XIX 8.85 ACRES

CUP 22-19 VALLEY HEIGHTS SUBDIVISION PRELIMINARY PLAT Finlandia along ridge

CUP 22-20 CAT RENTAL STORE

CUP 22-21 STAG'S RUN ESTATES SUBDIVISION 160 acres with 50 lots. It will have a conservation easement to preserve wetland/riparian area. Art requested the county's compatibility chart used by P & Z since the parcel is surrounded by ag land on three sides. He asked why the county does not address state Idaho Code Statue title 67-6537, if you have water you must use for surface irrigation (ie lawns) The purpose of enforcing this Statute is to protect ground water supply.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Date Reminders Recap:

June 4 2022 S696 Heinrich Project NFPR Bank planting field day, IDFG, IDFG Volunteers, TU, and ICC crew attending

June 8 High Valley Forestry Tour

June 9 and June 23 P&Z 6 pm

June 10th 5-9 p.m. Fish Idaho Fest, Broken Horn Brewery IDFG, FoLC, BPLWQC information tables

July 7 VSWCD Board Meeting

August 30 BOR Cascade operations study report and public meeting

June Zoom Meeting adjourned at 11:19 a.m.

Chairman: _____ **Date Approved: July 7, 2022**

Minutes prepared by Durena Farr, District Manager