

**VALLEY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
209 N IDAHO STREET CASCADE, ID  
SEPTEMBER MINUTES  
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 5, 2019 9:00 A.M.**

**Members Present:** Art Troutner, Paul Kleint, John Lillehaug, Ralph Thier

**Members Absent and Excused:** Justin Florence

**Others Present:** Lenard Long, Friends of Lake Cascade; Durena Farr District Admin; Scott Henderson, NRCS; Loretta Strickland, ISWCC.

**Meeting was called to order by Art Troutner at 9:00 a.m.**

Ralph moved to approve July 11, 2019 minutes as emailed to Board. John seconded and the motion carried. Art Troutner signed the minutes as presented. No August meeting was held, therefore no August minutes are on file.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

1. Lenard Long, Friends of Lake Cascade provided the Lake Cascade monthly monitoring update of weekly visual sampling and biweekly chemical sampling. The “good” news is that Citizen Bloom Watch is working. DEQ responded within 20 hrs of being notified of HAB. DEQ will provide toxicity report and sample again next week. Article in Star News alerted the public to Lake closure due to HAB.
2. Lenard asked for the District to sponsor SWID RC&D proposal and the Board agreed.
3. John & Denise Harry, SLRWSD, were not present at the meeting to report.
4. Scott Henderson provided NRCS update. Leann Buck is the new Gem/Squaw administrative assistant.
5. Loretta Strickland provided updates from ISWCC. Loretta advised that the Governor requested that maintenance only budgets be submitted for FY20. Loretta also discussed the commissions new website project tracker for District’s to input their project work.
6. Supervisor Reports: 1. Ralph Thier 8/20 SWID RC&D; Valley County Lakes Advisory Council proposal to Valley Co. Commissioners on 8/26/19; Website/Facebook updates; Board confirmed consensus on Ralph approaching the Idaho Association of Counties regarding 2:1ISWCC Match funding (also Waterways Advisory Board issues across counties, see Coeur d’Alene articles)

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. The board was reminded that the BOR West Mountain Fencing Project is to begin September 9 with IDFG Michael Young assisting with installation.
2. Board discussed the BOR WaterSMART Cooperative Watershed Management Program Phase I Grant to assist with WAG development, planning and administrative costs. Durena shared that the grant has not yet been posted per Jim Zokan. It was suggested to contact Leah Meeks for an example application.
3. Durena reported that the National Park Service Rivers, Trails and Conservation Assistance Grant was submitted June 30 by West Central Mountains, Andrew Metzger. Ralph and Durena to attend September 24<sup>th</sup> meeting regarding application and future of Bridge-to-bridge moving forward.
4. WAG update; Valley Co. Lakes Advisory Council (BPLWQC David Simmons, Rich Holm, Roy Eiguren); Valley Co. Grant writer proposed.

**FINANCIAL Action Items:**

1. **Action Item:** John Lillehaug moved to accept and file Treasurer’s Reports for July 31, 2019 and August 31, 2019 (General account, 319 account, LGIP statement). Paul seconded, and the motion carried.
2. Durena reported that the Financial & Match Report & Certification filed with ISWCC August 12<sup>th</sup>. DAWG meets for allocation recommendations Sept 12<sup>th</sup>, then will be sent out to Districts for review.
3. Ralph moved to approve the FY2020 Budget presented by John. John seconded and the motion carried. The budget requires a 220 reduction in administrative hours for the year.
4. Paul moved to provide two registrations and a door prize for the Division III meeting at Bruneau River October 8<sup>th</sup>. John seconded and the motion carried.

5. The board discussed the State Conference November 12-15 Riverside Hotel, Boise, Supervisor and Admin Registrations and Lodging expenses as allowed by budget. Ralph moved to have the board review and update the budget quarterly. Paul seconded and the motion carried.

### **319 PROJECT UPDATES:**

1. September 10<sup>th</sup> DEQ 319 site visit with Julia Achabal (Strand, Donnelly Boat Docks, Riverfront Park). Ralph and Durena to attend.
2. John Lillehaug moved to pay the American Legion storm drain project from 319 Grant S554 instead of S602 since it is a completed project and Loretta is closing the S554 grant reporting. Paul seconded and the motion carried.
3. John Kwader/Nokes project update 843' fencing, to include Donna Nokes name on agreement. He has obtained fence specs from Scott Henderson. Program agreement emailed for signature. 8/29.
4. John Lillehaug moved to approve the Dale Loomis 319 Fencing Application. Ralph seconded and the motion carried.

### **Valley County P & Z:** Hearing September 12, 2019 6:00 p.m. Comments prior to September 4, 2019.

The Board reviewed the following applications and had no resource concerns to report.

- CUP 19-12 Collins Multiple Residence
- CUP 19-23 Binnion Multi-Family Dwelling Unit
- CUP 19-25 Mountain Top Produce
- CUP 19-26 Equipment Storage
- Ordinance Amendment – Accessory Dwelling Unit
- Ordinance Amendment – Recreational Vehicle Campground
- Ordinance Amendment – Short Term Rental

### **Hearing September 30, 2019. Written Comments by September 23, 2019:**

- 1:30 p.m. Ordinance 19-08 Property Tax exemption (Title 1 Chapter 8, Section 4: Tax Exemption for Non-Retail Commercial and Industrial Development) emailed to board 8/ /19
- 2:00 p.m. Ordinance 19-09 Liquefied Petroleum Gas (LPG) Systems
- 2:30 Appeal of P&Z Approval of CUP 19-19 Powell Mechanic Shop

### **Administrative:**

Durena reported that Kris Meyer notified office via voicemail on August 5<sup>th</sup> that beginning August 5<sup>th</sup> she was on administrative leave from Experience Works and was therefore no longer available to work. Durena also reported that she was called by Payette Soil & Water Conservation District, Mary Rosen, for a work reference for Kris.

### **DATE REMINDERS RECAP:**

- *September 6<sup>th</sup> – UI Fruit Field Day*
- *September 9<sup>th</sup> – BOR West Mountain Road Fencing project (all week) Volunteers contact Jim Zokan*
- *September 10<sup>th</sup> – DEQ 319 project tour with Julia Achabal*
- *October 3<sup>rd</sup> 1 p.m. Board Meeting*
- *October 8<sup>th</sup> Division III Meeting – Bruneau River*
- *November 12-15<sup>th</sup> IASCD Annual Conference*

*Meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.*

**Chairman:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Minutes prepared by Durena Farr, District Manager**