

Gunnison Conservation District

216 North Colorado St, Gunnison CO 81230 • (970) 707-3047

Board Meeting Minutes September 17, 2019

Regular Meeting: 7:00 pm US Forest Service Conference Room, 216 N. Colorado Gunnison, CO 81230

<u>Board Members Present</u>: Jan Coury, President; Bill Ketterhagen, Vice President;; Dan Zadra, Supervisor;

Board Members Absent: Rufus Wilderson, Brooke Vasquez, John Rozman

Employees Present: Aleshia Rummel, Sam Liebl

Employees Absent: None

Others Present: Dan Olson

<u>Call to Order</u> President Jan Coury called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm.

<u>Partner Updates</u>

NRCS:

Dan Olson said he was excited for the NRCS Gunnison office to be adding another employee. The hiring process for a new NRCS office person likely scaps any plans for adding another DCT for the District. However, this new position will likely fill some of the roles for which a DCT was being sought, such as engineering work.

In other news, the NRCS is closing a WRE on Tomichi Creek which has been ongoing since 2013. The hope is that with a restoration plan written and things surveyed, all ducks will be in a row. So it will close if nothing goes wrong between now and Sept. 30.

NRCS staff have otherwise been busy going out to meet people who are interested in projects. There have been a lot of irrigation projects, and folks are still kicking around a big pipeline project on range. But everyone has been so busy this suimmer that the hope is for things to be rekindled this fall.

Aleshia Rummel said that she has encouraged the AEI basecamp on the Taylor to pursue beaver dam analogues.

Approval of Minutes

The Board reviewed the minutes from the regular meeting of August 20, 2019.

manual pulling, one week of herbicide application on green cheatgrass and one week of preemergent herbicide application later in the year.

Zadra moved to support the grant application. Ketterhagen seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

2020 Budget:

Liebl said the budget process for 2020 would begin in October.

Mill Creek Youth Summit:

Rummel said that the summit is set to proceed as it normally does: NPS is bringing a port-a-jon, Rummel will meet with a Western recreation class the Thursday before to talk about the agenda and to provide supplies. Rummel said she would remind the class to be professional.

City of Gunnison 2020 Grant:

Liebl said the District will be applying for a grant from the City of Gunnison for 2020.

Zadra suggested that the District focus on education in its proposal. Cheatgrass projects have set a precedent for education events involving the city.

Employment and compensation of consultants:

Wilderson said the District should pay Antonucci Consulting for the amount invoiced on August 1. Zadra said he agreed and that the District should not consult with Kim Antonucci on anything further.

Telemetry Education Equipment

Rummel said that per CPW's recommendation the District would pursue opportunities for funding the purchase of additional collars and other telemetry equipment.

Next Meeting

Regular Meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 15, 2019 at 7pm at 216 N. Colorado St.

REGULAR MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:20pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: These minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of July 16, 2019 were approved by the Board of Supervisors at their regular meeting of 9/14/9.

By:

Supervisor, Gunnison Conservation District