



**Kootenai-Shoshone Soil and Water Conservation District**  
7830 Meadowlark Way, Suite C1 – Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815 – Phone (208) 762-4939

Date: August 9, 2023

Time: 9:00 am

Place: Conference Room located in the NRCS Field Office at 7830 Meadowlark Way Suite C-1, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815

Zoom Link:

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## **AGENDA**

### **I. Call to Order**

### **II. District Business**

- a. Approve Minutes for July's Meeting **ACTION ITEM**
- b. Treasurer's Report **ACTION ITEM - DEFER TO SEPTEMBER 2023**

### **III. Agency Reports**

- a. NRCS: Corey Bosen
- b. ISWCC: Jenna Ditzel
- c. KSSWCD: Karla Freeman

### **IV. Other Business**

- a. **Ordering District Outreach Swag – ACTION ITEM**
- b. Hiring Parttime Assistant (Split w/Sandpoint) – Discussion
- c. No Till – Discussion – Updates
- d. State Annual Conference – Nov 7,2023 – Nov 9,2023 – Attendance- Discussion

### **V. On Going Business**

Next Meeting September 13,2023 at 9:00 am Conference Room located in the NRCS Field Office at 7830 Meadowlark Way Suite C-1, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815

### **VII. Adjournment**

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*“Putting conservation on the ground by promoting stewardship”*

Minutes

**Date: August 9,2023**

**Present**

Laurin Scarcello – Chairman  
Linda Ely – Vice – Chairman  
Kevin Hicks, Supervisor  
Joel Noland, Supervisor  
Bob Flagor, Associate Supervisor  
John Mobbs, Associate Supervisor  
Jon Groth – Supervisor - ZOOM  
Karla Freeman, KSSWCD  
Jenna Ditzel – ISWCC –  
Bob Burke - Landowner

**Absent (Board members)**

Wes Evans – Secretary/Treasurer  
Thomas Shaffer - Supervisor  
Corey Bonsen - NRCS  
Bill Lillibridge - ISWCC

**The meeting was held at the NRCS Conference Room located at 7830 Meadowlark Way Suite C-1, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815.**

Meeting called to order by Chairman Laurin Scarcello at 9:00 am.

Linda Ely moved, and Joel Noland seconded the motion to approve July's 2023 minutes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

The financial report is deferred to the September meeting. We will then vote on July's and August's financial report.

Next on the agenda was Corey Bonsen, NRCS. Corey was unable to attend the meeting but did have a handout of updates.

Next on the agenda was Jenna Ditzel, ISWCC updated that the deadline for the Financial Match Report is August 16,2023. Jenna also had a handout of updates for the board.

Karla Freeman, District Administrator updated on the following project:

Boat Stations – Open and running. We received the 3<sup>rd</sup> installment payment from the Idaho Department of Agriculture.

Schlagel Draw- Albert Walsh – We plan on submitting an amendment to add another draw with the funding that is left over on the grant.

Leading Idaho – Mica Creek Phase #2 – Second billing has been turned in and we are in the process of submitting this for reimbursement.

Leading Idaho – Toedter Floodplain Project has been started and the first invoice has been turned in for reimbursement.

Leading Idaho – Wolf Lodge Creek #5 – Kristin Lowell with DEQ has sourced additional funding from a 319 grant to contribute to the repair of the Wolf Lodge Creek #3 Project, on the Funks property. This application has been submitted and we are waiting for a sub award from DEQ.

Audit – We have started the audit process on the FY 2022-FY 2023 yearly audit with Anderson Brothers.

WQPA – We have the landowner agreement executed and will start work on this in the fall.

Karla also updated that the district has received the base and operation allocation from ISWCC for the FY 2024.

Next on the agenda was discussion on hiring a part-time employee to work both in Bonner County SWCD and Kootenai Shoshone SWCD. This employee would split their time between the two offices, two (2) days at each office. The board would like to have Sarah Garcia, District Administrator for Bonner County SWCD attend the next board meeting with possibly board members from her office to discuss this more in detail. Discussions were had on having a hiring committee to help with this action.

Next on the agenda was the no till drill discussion. Karla updated that her and Jenna are working on a grant application along with the budget to have this ready to submit once grant cycles are opened up in the spring.

Next on the agenda was the discussion on who will be attending the annual conference in Boise. The conference will be held from November 7 through November 9, 2023. Kevin Hicks, Supervisor, and Joel Noland Supervisor will check to see if they are available to attend.

Next on the agenda was updates from Jon Groth of activities in Shoshone County. Jon updated on the land development project with the Kingston Cataldo Sewer District is in the design phase and continuing to move forward. Bill Lillibridge is working with the Shoshone County Public Works on possible projects in the Shoshone County area.

Bob Burke, landowner updated on the fire conditions in Kootenai County. The county is in stage 2 fire restrictions.

**Next meeting to be held on Wednesday September 13, 2023, at 9:00 am at the NRCS Conference Room located at 7830 Meadowlark Way Suite C-1, Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815.**

**Meeting adjourned at 10:15 am.**