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

Date: June 14, 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:

## **AGENDA**

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

### **II. District Business**

- a. Approve Minutes for May’s Meeting **ACTION ITEM**
- b. Treasurer’s Report **ACTION ITEM**

### **III. Agency Reports**

- a. NRCS: Corey Bonsen
- b. ISWCC: Bill Lillibridge
- c. KSSWCD: Karla Freeman

### **IV. Other Business**

- a. IASCD Update- Tom Daniels
- b. Volunteers for Modern Homesteading Event - Discussion
- c. Local Work Group Meeting – Discussion
- d. Spokane Conservation Tour - Discussion

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

Next Meeting July 12,2023 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: June 14, 2023**

**Present**

Laurin Scarcello – Chairman  
Linda Ely – Vice – Chairman  
Wes Evans – Secretary/Treasurer  
Kevin Hicks, Supervisor  
Joel Noland – Supervisor  
Bob Flagor – Associate Supervisor  
John Mobbs – Associate Supervisor  
Karla Freeman, KSSWCD  
Corey Bensen- NRCS  
Bill Lillibridge – ISWCC – ZOOM  
Jenna Dietzel – ISWCC – ZOOM  
Dave Brown – Landowner  
Jacob Garringer – Governor’s Office

**Absent (Board members)**

Thomas Shaffer - Supervisor

**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.

Introductions were made around the room.

Linda Ely moved, and Jon Groth seconded the motion to approve May’s 2023 minutes. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Kevin Hicks moved, and Joel Noland seconded the motion to approve May’s 2023 financial reports. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Next on the agenda was Corey Bensen, NRCS. Corey had a handout for all of the current information from the NRCS. Please see the handout.

Next on the agenda was Bill Lillibridge, ISWCC updated that the commission has hired a replacement for Katie Yoder. Her name is Jeanna Dietzel, she will be moving to the Coeur d’Alene area at the end of the week and will be in the local office starting the week of June 20, 2023. Jenna is currently living in Boise and is receiving training there. Bill updated that the commission will be having a meeting on June 22, 2023, to discuss the WQPA grants that were submitted. Bill updated the deadline for the Financial Match Report is August 16, 2023.

Bill also updated on a couple of the Leading Idaho projects. The Wolf Lodge Creek #5, Sandy Schlepp has been on site at Andrew LeClaire's planting willows and will do the fence installation after she has finished the plantings. Bill also updated the Leading Idaho – Toetder Floodplain project will be starting work on this week.

Karla Freeman, District Administrator updated on the following project:

Boat Stations – we have received the amendment to the MOU to reflect pay rate increases for all positions as well as reimburse the district for inspector recruitment expenses. The pay rate increase is effective starting June 1, 2023.

WQPA – Karla updated that we were able to submit a grant application for a Mica Creek project.

Modern Homesteader Event- Karla updated that the Modern Homesteading Event is quickly approaching, and we still need volunteers to sign up.

Schlagel Draw- Albert Walsh – Karla updated that we have received the first reimbursement for the landowner on this project. We still have funds left over and will be applying for an amendment to add an additional draw to be completed.

Karla also updated that the meeting for the Shoshone County Commissioners was yesterday. Bob Flagor, Linda Ely, Jon Groth, Jessica Stutze, Shoshone County Road Department, and I were in attendance. The meeting was a short meeting and to meet the new commissioners and talk about what the district can do and project ideas in Shoshone County.

Next on the agenda was the updates from Tom Daniels, Division 1 Chairman concerning the IASCD. Tom was not able to attend. Bob Flagor, Associate Supervisor briefly updated that Kyle Rooks with the IASCD will be stepping down. We will need updates from Tom to see what this is going to look like for Division 1.

Next on the agenda was the discussion concerning the date of the next Local Work Group meeting. Corey Bonsen with the NRCS, suggested that we have the meeting on October 26, 2023, depending on if there is a venue open. Karla Freeman, District Administrator, will work on securing a meeting place on this date.

Next on the agenda was to discuss a date to take a field trip to tour the Spokane Conservation District facility. Karla will also reach out to Vicky Carter to see if we are able to hold our July board meeting there.

Next on the agenda was Jon Groth, Supervisor who gave an update on the Cataldo Sewer and Water project. The land acquisition is 100% completed and they are moving forward with this project. Jon also updated on the possible project of a parking lot being built across from the Snake Pit in Enaville, Idaho. Shoshone County is currently in the research aspect of this possible project. This parking lot would house all the vehicles that park up and down the road that is causing a safety concern. Jon will pass along updates as he receives them.

**Next meeting to be held on Wednesday July 12, 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.**