

## Minidoka Soil and Water Conservation District

Minutes of the August 13, 2020 Minidoka SWCD held outside in the patio of the Drift Inn

Meeting called to order by Chairman Brian Kossman at 1:13 p.m. in attendance: Brian Kossman, LaNae Nalder, Aaron Firth, Russ Suchan, Carolyn Firth, Jason Thomas County Extension office David Mabey and admin assist Sharon Hardy Wilmot,

Minutes were presented and approved with a motion by LaNae and a second by Aaron motion carried

Bills were presented with a motion to approve them by LaNae and a second by Aaron motion carried

Business:

Presentation of SECD jacket to Supervisor LaNae.

Urban Water Quality Project is now edited and ready to be aired on whatever medium we choose. It was decided to put on Facebook using \$100.00 to promote the ad, and sent to the Commission to put on their website. Jason will email the ad to us and Carolyn so that it can be sent out.

Minidoka County Fair is over, attendance was less this year, but it went well, the display looked great and created interest in the bees and generated questions on conservation.

State Conference is still on schedule for November with a final decision to be made at the September 9<sup>th</sup> planning mtg.

Supervisors only meeting in Boise, June 12<sup>th</sup> Brian reported that not many attended, there will be a resolution presented at State Conference and there was a lot of discussion on the commissions handling of issues with Districts that have had a problem.

Plan for the office during COVID-19 Sharon will work earlier in the day with less time in the office and do as much as possible from home with the calls being transferred to her phone so that the needs of the office can be met. Aaron motioned that \$25.00 a month be paid for the usage of her cell phone, Russ 2<sup>nd</sup> that motion, all agreed. Also any extra time should be tracked and reported.

Service of the Drill. Jeff Jarolimek has serviced both drills, Minidoka's need extra grease in a couple of bearings Burley's needed a firming wheel bearing, plug adapter, press wheel spring, and a lot of grease.

Discussion about bonus for Megan Heward for work on the tree sales as the pick was held at her home and she complied with the COVID 19 restrictions as best she could, it was decided to provide the \$170.00 one time bonus, motion by Aaron, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Russ. Motion carried.

No Supervisor reports

Admin report, Sharon is getting things ready for the poster and speech contest not sure how that will all play out with the schools and restrictions they might have.

NRCS, David suggested the possibility of sponsoring the workshop every other year in the Burley area and going in with north Utah and having it there on the other years possibly start with them in 2022 We have a good thing here and could share it with others and reach more growers.

With no further items or discussion the meeting was adjourned at 3:10 p.m.