

Minidoka Soil and Water Conservation District

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Minutes of the February 11th meeting held at Doc's Pizza in Rupert Idaho 1:05 p.m.

In attendance: Brian Kossman - Chairman, Dusty Wilkins - V-Chair, Aaron Firth – Supervisor, Melanie Nebaker – TA.NRCS, Jason Thomas County Extension Agent, Sharon Hardy (Wilmot) – Admin,

Chairman Brian called the meeting to order,

Minutes of the January 2021 meeting were reviewed and approved with a motion by Dusty 2nd by Aaron motion carried

Bills were presented by Aaron with a motion to accept them as presented motion by Aaron and 2nd by Dusty motion carried.

Future workshops were discussed, Minidoka would like to keep them going with possible more local speakers. Possibly the McIntyre Farm people who are putting into action the things we have been addressing at the workshops. More boots on the ground type speakers – what works and what does not. People want the in person contact meetings. Virtual is ok but we need that interaction with people.

Virtual Resolution – Sharon will contact Chris Simons Div. IV sec. and have it put on the agenda for discussion at the Div. IV meeting.

Cooperator of the year – it was decided the District would like to recognize Ted Tateoka Reid Bowen will be the contact person, getting a bio- and size of jacket for Ted. And info on his wife.

Drill update information – Repairs to the Minidoka Drill were \$2365.45 and new tires all around \$881.80 we now have a spare tire mounted on each drill. Cassia repairs were \$2047.63 Both are ready to go for spring planting

Trees sales have been brisk this spring, Doreen did a great job on the radio, and will be on one more time before the end of the month.

Admin report: Doreen and Sharon have been going over the newsletter addresses to update and correct them before then next newsletter this summer. Also, we are working on articles of interest and would like possible suggestions.

Supervisor reports: there were none.

County Extension report: Jason asked if the District is thinking of another ad, to pick an idea and target population and arranged for a meeting time with Sharon to get the current ad up and running on Facebook.

NRCS : Nate Huber job is still open and Hayden Carson will be leaving by mid-March there may be a student to help this summer with some of the projects.

SWCC: Delwyne Telf was on the phone 208 810 0070 with information on financing for the Districts with the upcoming legislative actions.

TA2020- Melanie reported she has been working on the Badger fire project, doing mapping, CRP projects, and picking up the slack as best as possible with the shut downs and minimal employees.

Meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Sharon Hardy (Wilmot)