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Amended: _____
Approved: 2/8/2023
Recorder: JH JP
Secretary: Millard

1/3/2023 MINUTES

Board of Directors

Miff Devin – Zone 1 chair
Jim McElligott – At Large 2, Vice Chair
Brian Doherty – Zone 3, Treasurer
Duane Neiffer – At Large 1
Colin McElligott – Zone 2

Staff & guests

Kevin Payne - District Manager
Trent Gianella – CREP Tech
Jared Huddleston - SWCD
Corey Sweeney – Weed Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Duane Neiffer.

Miff Devin (Zone 1) and Colin McElligott (Zone 2) both recited their oaths of office to fill their respective director positions.

ACTION ITEMS:

Duane Neiffer made a motion to appoint Brian Doherty to director of zone 3. The motion carried with 3 in favor and 0 against. Brian Doherty recited his oath of office.

Duane Neiffer made a motion to appoint Jim McElligott to fill the vacant at-large position. The motion carried with 4 in favor and 0 against. Jim McElligott recited his oath of office.

All newly appointed directors signed and returned their oath of office paperwork to Kevin.

Duane made a motion to approve Jared Huddleston and Colin McElligott to Bank of EO signature card as representative joining Kevin Payne and Brian Doherty, and to remove Janet Greenup and Barney Lindsay from the signature card. The motion carried with 5 in favor and 0 against.

Duane made a motion to add Kevin and Jared to the Bank of EO safe deposit box access and remove Janet Greenup and Merilee McDowell. The motion carried with 5 in favor and 0 against.

Duane made a motion to cancel Janet Greenup's Bank of EO Visa card. The motion carried with 5 in favor and 0 against.

Discussion was had about changing up the election of officers. Duane made a motion to keep the election of officers as is. The motion carried with 5 in favor and 0 against.

The minutes from the December meeting were distributed to the directors and were reviewed and approved.

STAFF REPORTS/FINANCIAL REPORTS: Written staff reports were included in board packets along with the financial reports and were reviewed by the board.

PARTNER REPORTS: Cory Sweeney introduced himself to the district board members and staff as the new Weed Coordinator for Morrow County Public Works. He discussed his onboarding process and some training he has done with Dave Pranger who he has replaced in the position.

Kevin gave an update for Jennifer Wilson with NRCS. Payments for CSP 2023 are being completed and the due date is February 17th. EQIP assessment and ranking will take place soon ranking deadline is February. Garrett is finishing field checks and anticipating winter CRP sign ups. Local Work Group meeting will be on February 22nd.

DISTRICT CORRESPONDENCE: Kevin is still working with Erin Heideman on scheduling the Livestock Growers joint meeting with Morrow and Gilliam Wheat leagues that will likely be held the morning of February 8th. Kevin mentioned our current Regional Water Quality Specialist with ODA, Tom Demianew is leaving ODA and took a job with NRCS.

OTHER BUSINESS: Kevin informed the board that he has done some research and had communication with a website hosting company Streamline about upgrading the district's website capabilities. The service from Streamline is \$50/month. Jim McElligott made a motion to approve the district upgrading their website hosting with Streamline and Duane seconded, and the rest of the board approved the motion.

No public comments.

The next meeting will be February 8th TBD

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30pm.

SWCD Annual Meeting

Miff called the annual meeting to order at 6:31pm

Jared presented the fiscal year 2021-2022 financial information.

The meeting was adjourned 6:36pm