

MEETING MINUTES
DELTA CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETING
Thursday, September 5, 2024
MILLARD COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE
LOCATION: DELTA, UTAH

ATTENDANCE:

SUPERVISORS: Klint Atkinson, Brandon Anderson, Jared Bryan, Troy Davis, and Jim Withers

Clerk: Stacey Lake

Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF): Tracy Balch

Natural Resource Conservation Services (NRCS): Tyrell Belnap

Millard County – USU Extension: Kalen Taylor

Millard County Commissioner Trevor Johnson: unable to attend.

DELTA CD MEETING – CALL TO ORDER

Brandon Anderson called the meeting to order at **10:10 a.m.**

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT ACTIONS

Approval of June 6, 2024, meeting minutes. -Page 1

Approval of July 3, 2024, working meeting minutes. -Page 1

Approval of August 1, 2024, working meeting minutes. -Page 1

Approval of current financials. -Page 1

Approval of FY24 Financial Report. -Page 2

Approval of Millard CD Support letter. -Page 2

Approval of FY25 Clerk Contract. -Page 2

Approval to reimburse with SERA funds for UACD Convention held on November 6-7, 2024. -Page 2

**Approval to reimburse with SERA funds for Soil Health Workshops: October 7th in Blanding
and October 24th in Ogden.** -Page 2

**Approval to sign and accept current Utah Department of Agriculture and Food Grant Agreement
– Declaration of Conflict of Interest.** -Page 2

Adjourn at 11:10 a.m. Page 3

Meeting Minutes

- a) The June 6, 2024, meeting minutes were reviewed.
- The July 3, 2024, working meeting minutes were reviewed.
- The August 1, 2024, working meeting minutes were reviewed.
- Klint Atkinson motioned to accept these meeting minutes for June 6, 2024, July 3, 2024,
and August 1, 2024. Jim Withers seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**

Financial:

- a) Current financials were reviewed by the board. **Jim Withers motioned to accept the current financials.
Troy Davis seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**

Board Business:

- a) The updated SERA forms were explained to and signed by all supervisors.
- b) Annual Ethics Pledge Forms were reviewed and signed by Brandon Anderson, Troy Davis, and Jim Withers.
- c) FY24 Financial Report and Certification was reviewed by the board and signed. **Jim Withers motioned to accept the FY24 Financial Report and Certification. Troy Davis seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**
- d) Gopher abatement project is going well. 1728 squirrel/quimp turned in. 3783 gophers turned in. Approximately 500 raccoons turned in.
- e) Gopher machines in good working order.
- f) Farm Field Day for the 3rd graders will be held in October. Brandon Anderson will get the exact date. Delta CD will provide the Farming in a Glove project/presentation. There will be approximately 150 students. Jim Withers will arrange treats for the students.
- g) The FY25 clerk contract was reviewed and signed. **Jared Bryan motioned to accept the FY25 clerk contract. Klint Atkinson seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**
- h) The UACD Convention will be held on November 6-7, 2024, in St. George. **Klint Atkinson motioned to use SERA funds to reimburse any supervisor that attends. Jared Bryan seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**
- i) Soil Health Workshops to be held on October 7th in Blanding and October 24th in Ogden. **Klint Atkinson motioned to use SERA funds to reimburse any supervisor that attends. Jared Bryan seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**
- j) The board discussed a weed control project and what would be needed to assist it.
 - How they need help
 - What the CD can do
 - Weed Boards need to be updated
 - Find grants for weed control project
 - Outreach programs to buy chemical
 - Local event to educate
- k) WaterSMART Drought Response Program's Drought Resiliency Projects (DRP) The funding opportunity is available on [grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov) by searching for opportunity number [R25AS00013](https://www.grants.gov). Applications are due by October 7, 2024, at 4pm MDT.
 - Irrigation companies, farmers, individuals can apply
 - Projects include piping, dams, gates
 - Spring and fall grants
- l) The board reviewed and signed the current Utah Department of Agriculture and Food Grant Agreement – Declaration of Conflict of Interest. **Troy Davis motioned to sign and accept current Utah Department of Agriculture and Food Grant Agreement - Declaration of Conflict of Interest. Jim Withers seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**

UDAF Business: Tracy Balch

- a) Millard CD is applying for an Outreach and Technical Assistance Grant. This will help hire a Conservation Planner to assist with CSP and other projects. This will also help coordinate RCPP in the area. Delta CD, Millard CD, and Juab CD will sign this letter in support. **Jared Bryan motioned to accept and sign this letter in support of the Outreach and Technical Assistance Grant. Klint Atkinson seconded. Motion approved unanimous.**

NRCS: Tyrell Belnap

- a) Application deadline will be around November 1st.
- b) This year, 44 contracts funded in the amount of 4.6 million. 21 were CSP, 23 were EQUIP, and 9 were IRA. This includes Juab County and Millard County.
Right now, there are 130 contracts with 15 million in payments/obligations.
- c) There are 7 Delta SFP contracts this year. Increased from last year. Also, 11 CSP contracts in the Delta area.
More money was requested for CSP this year. CSP contracts have increased this year.

Commissioner Business: unable to attend.

Extension Service Business: Kalen Taylor

- a) The Sulphur horse round up is complete. 422 horses were pulled off. There are about 200 left out. They were taken to the Axtell facility. Mares will receive a new fertility drug. Some were treated in 2020 and 2022. They will receive two shots before 39 will be collared and released. The rest will be put up for adoption.
- b) Still waiting for lab data to be returned on the Levan dry land farm project.

DELTA CD – VOLUNTEER TIME

Brandon Anderson: 3.5 hours -Water/Soil

Klint Atkinson: 3.5 hours -Drainage/Soil

Jared Bryan: 15 hours -Water/Drain

Troy Davis: 4 hours -Water

Klint Atkinson motioned to adjourn the meeting at 11:10 a.m. Troy Davis seconded. Motion approved unanimous.