

San Juan Conservation District

Dec. 10, 2024

Monticello, UT

Attending: Karah Nay, Charley Tracy, Ryan Jones, Julie Weber, Terri Laws, Cody Nielson, Reagan Wytsalucy, Jim Bowcutt, Grace Holmes, Will Murray

Absent: Bob Barry

Motion made by Karah and seconded by Charley to approve the agenda. Vote was unanimous.

Motion made by Karah and seconded by Charley to approve the minutes. Vote was unanimous.

There were no requests for assistance.

No public comments or concerns.

UDAF-Jim Bowcutt. Jim visited our district. His goal is to visit all districts in the state. He reported on water optimization, soil health, stimulus money, Ag loans, conservation easement. There is a new ARDL loan staff member – Sarah Claney.

Conservation Business:

Cody will approach a couple of people about filling the supervisor position open due to Blaine resigning.

Motion was made by Karah and seconded by Charley to approve payment for 319 well project for the following producers. Frontier Farms \$16,500 Wagon Rod Ranch \$18,450

2025 meeting dates and locations were scheduled. Every other month meeting will be in Blanding at the library.

Cody filled out soil health survey and returned it to Julie.

Motion was made by Karah and seconded by Charley to purchase weed calendars for \$600.00. Vote was unanimous.

Making a district calendar was discussed for 2026.

Local scholarships were discussed. **Karah made a motion and Charley seconded it to budget \$1000.00 for scholarships from the district. Vote was unanimous.**

NACD convention Feb. 8-12 in Salt Lake City was discussed. **Motion was made by Charley and seconded by Karah to spend \$650.00 for gift baskets. Vote was unanimous.**

Local work group meeting was discussed. This will be held in Moab, UT Jan 14, 2025. Will led the discussion on local resource concerns. Board's concerns were water quality and quantity, plant and

pest pressure, watershed protection, plant species and comp, fire mitigation efforts. **Karah made a motion and Charley seconded it to split the cost of the meal with Grand County. Vote was unanimous.**

Finances: There is \$20,731.02 in checking account. There is \$5039.61 in CD. **Motion was made by Cody and seconded by Charley to pay the following bills – Castleland RC&D (calendars) \$600.00 Cody Nielson (reimbursement for convention prizes and soil health meal) \$618.89 Kelly Laws (repair and maint. on gasser) \$465.00 Utah Local Gov trust (bond) \$100.00 NACD (dues) \$100.00 UACD (dues) \$500.00 USU Extension (red books) \$497.00 UACD Aux (raffle tickets) \$50.00. Vote was unanimous.**

UDAF/UACD Zone 7 business: Jessica has taken another position.

Extension: Soil Health Boot Camp Feb 20-21 9:30-4:00 in Blanding. William DeMille will be guest.

NRCS: Last year there were 4 CSP contracts for \$621,000 and 10 EQIP projects for \$834,793.

FSA: none

Other Supervisor Business: **Motion was made by Cody and seconded by Karah to approve board members to travel to any upcoming meetings. Vote was unanimous.**

Sera forms: Julie will send out sera forms electronically to each board member.

Motion to adjourn meeting was made by Cody and seconded by Charley (11:30) Vote was unanimous.

Next meeting will be Jan 14 Local Work Group in Moab