

MINUTES
KAMAS CONSERVATION DISTRICT (WCD) MEETING

Regular Meeting, March 4, 2026
50 E. Center Street, Kamas, UT 84036

ATTENDANCE:

Appointed Kamas Conservation District (KCD) Voting Members:

Lloyd Marchant, *Chairman (Present)*

Brenda Bushell, *Treasurer (Present)*

Brandon Withers, *Supervisor (Present)*

Jason Averett, *Supervisor (Present)*

Melissa Atkinson, *Supervisor (Absent)*

Jodi Mills, *Clerk (Present)*

Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF):

Parker Wayment, *Resource Coordinator (Present)*

Jace Atkinson, *Conservation Planner (Present)*

National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS):

Kenny Oswald, *District Conservationist (Present)*

SUMMARY OF DISTRICT ACTION

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WCD MEETING- CALL TO ORDER

KCD Chairman Lloyd Marchant called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. **A motion was made by Mr. Brandon Withers to approve the February 3, 2026 meeting minutes and was seconded by Mrs. Brenda Bushell. The motion was carried unanimously.**

DISTRICT BUSINESS

The board discussed the recent Grill Your District event and agreed that it was a successful event with strong attendance.

Meal reimbursement costs will be split 50/50 between the Kamas and Summit Conservation Districts. Reimbursement will be calculated based on the number of individuals invited rather than the number of attendees. The State will reimburse per diem costs up to the actual billed amount.

Lloyd Marchant, Chairman, distributed a map showing the current district boundaries. The board reviewed and discussed the current boundaries and potential future changes. A comparison was made between the previous and current boundary maps. Lloyd emphasized the importance of clarifying district boundaries prior to implementing any changes.

Brenda Bushell, Treasurer, is in need of the Districts EIN number. Per Parker, Wade Judd may be able to assist Brenda in locating this information. Parker will also check his records and resources to see if he can find it there.

Lloyd and Brenda reviewed and approved the clerk contract for Jodi Mills. The contract was signed by Lloyd and Jodi effective February 3, 2026.

The board agreed to continue offering scholarship funding. Last year, scholarship funding was provided through the No-Till Drill account. Previously, eligibility included Agriculture, Mechanical, and Diesel Technology students. Moving forward, the scholarship will be limited to Agriculture students only. The application deadline will be set for mid-May

SERA

Jodi Mills, Clerk, will distribute SERA tracking forms at each meeting to ensure accurate recording of SERA payments.

RESOURCE COORDINATOR UPDATE

According to Parker Wayment, Resource Coordinator, an appointment committee must be formed for the reelection of Lloyd Marchant and the replacement of Melissa Atkinson.

Jason Averett will organize and lead the committee. Parker provided Jason with the committee member list and will deliver the necessary paperwork. The deadline for submitting the paperwork is April 3rd.

Parker also reported speaking with the new Vence representative, Rebel Adamson, who expressed interest in visiting the project site to review progress, suggest improvements, and assist in onboarding new producers.

The board discussed:

- Current tower locations
- Potential future tower placement
- Active livestock collars
- Project finances

Parker will inspect and return any malfunctioning collars for replacement with models that have longer-lasting batteries. Jace Atkinson (NRCS) will follow up with producers who expressed interest in livestock collars during the Grill Your District event. The district currently has \$57,150.00 remaining in project funding. The board also discussed the possibility of leasing mobile towers. A potential future model would involve the district maintaining and owning the towers while producers manage their own collars.

Upcoming Meetings

- Zone Meeting: March 12 in Morgan, at 5:00 p.m.
- Regional Meeting: April 16 from 6:00–8:00 p.m. at USU Kaysville. This meeting will bring together Conservation Districts, County Commissioners, and State Legislators.

Jace Atkinson, Planner, reported that several producers have expressed interest in Soil Health Assessments and he will follow up with those producers to provide additional information. Jace will also apply for the previously discussed grant and will finalize the details before presenting the completed paperwork to the board for approval.

NRCS UPDATE

Kenny Oswald, NRCS District Conservationist, provided a brief NRCS program update to the board.

Lloyd reported experiencing difficulty obtaining support from the NRCS agent currently assigned to the area. Kenny encouraged Lloyd to bring any concerns directly to him and provided the Ogden NRCS office main line (801-629-0580) for additional assistance. Kenny stated that any staff member in the office can provide support.

APPROVED FINANCES

A motion to approve payment of \$2,255.00 to Bowen Collins and Associates was made by Brenda Bushell and seconded by Brandon Withers. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Brenda Bushell and seconded by Brandon Withers to reimburse Jace Atkinson \$78.00 for postal stamp expenses related to the Grill Your District Event. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Brenda Bushell and seconded by Brandon Withers to reimburse Lloyd Marchant \$202.54 for paper goods purchased for the Grill Your District Event. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Brenda Bushell and seconded by Brandon Withers to reimburse Jason Averett \$311.55 for No-Till Drill parts. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. was made by Brenda and seconded by Jason. Motion carried.