

MINUTES
Morgan Conservation District
March 10,2026
Morgan County Library, Morgan, Utah

ATTENDANCE:

Conservation District (CD) Supervisor

Jason Morgan, Supervisor Chair
Todd Wardell, Treasurer/Supervisor
Ryan Thompson, Supervisor

Conservation Partners, Representatives
Maggie Matthews, USU 4H Extension

Utah Department of Agriculture and Food (UDAF):
Parker Wayment, Resource Coordinator

Conservation District Supervisors, Absent:

Kevin Thurston, Supervisor
Cathy James, Supervisor

Conservation District Staff:

Nikki Mortensen, Clerk

Guests:

SUMMARY OF CONSERVATION DISTRICT ACTION

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CD MEETING - CALL TO ORDER

Jason Morgan, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

The Board looked over the minutes from February. **Todd motioned to accept the minutes, Ryan second, motion passed.**

Finances

All Districts have paid for their portion of the Utah Association of Conservation District's (UACD) quilt. The Smokin Outlaws invoice was reviewed and voted on. Ryan motioned to pay Smokin Outlaws \$1,020 for dinner provided at the Farm Succession Planning education workshop. Todd seconded the motion. Motion passed. Jason also required reimbursement for drinks and rolls served at the workshop. Todd motioned to reimburse Jason. Ryan seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

The totals of the District's bank account balances were reviewed. The checking account totals \$7,520.57, and the savings account totals \$2,263.83.

The Board asked for total income balances to be claimed on their 1099 forms. Each supervisor will fill out and submit their own forms. The clerk will report total amounts to the supervisors this week.

NRCS

The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Services (NRCS) extended their ranking deadline to March 27 because of revisions and new programs.

UDAF

Parker brought forms for chemical reimbursement that need to be spent before July 1, 2026. Supervisors were encouraged to distribute the forms to friends and neighbors that may qualify. Predated receipts can also be reimbursed using this program. There is currently \$10,000 to be used.

Summit County a spray equipment loaner program managed by the county. Parker wondered if Morgan could develop a similar program and manage it through the weed board. Board members suggested a match program for chemical purchase up to \$500. That amount could be included in the budget for next fiscal year. Jason would like to ensure money spent on chemicals used by the weed board would be accessible to spray on private property. For now the initiative needs to be with the land owners rather than Morgan County.

Summit County would like to partner with Morgan Conservation District to control the yellow star thistle in East Canyon. The District will pay landowners to spray for yellow star thistle and then be reimbursed with grant money.

The Zone meeting is Thursday. Parker went over the agenda for the meeting with the Board. The Polentator program is open. Property needs to be 900 square ft or bigger to apply. Applicants should contact Parker, or go to the pollinator habitat program on UDAF's website. Ryan and Kevin are both up for reappointment. Parker forwarded the letter of commitment to serve form, as well as nomination documents to Jason. They need to be completed by April 3.

Bag O' Woad

The Board discussed having FFA kids collect the bags. Todd said it was difficult to keep track of the bags and payment. The FFA students will go to the schools to distribute flyers and trifold. Parker will update the flyers and trifold so they are ready to distribute. Tentative dates for the Bag O' Woad program are May 6, 13, 20, 27, and June 3. The Board could extend the dates so kids are on summer break. The FFA students should distribute flyers towards the end of April.

USU

Maggie will be working on getting soil samples this month and wondered about better documentation for spraying to submit to the County at the end of the year. The hope would be the County would see a need to place more emphasis on weed management. Jason feels the County needs to hire an employee to focus only on weeds. There was discussion of partnering with the Railroad at the most recent weed board meeting. This could provide some income as incentive for the County.

CALENDAR OF FUTURE EVENTS

Monthly meeting: April 14, 2026, 4:00p.m., Morgan County Library.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

ADJOURNMENT: **Ryan motioned to adjourn, Todd second, motion passed.**
Meeting adjourned: 5:30 p.m.