



Colorado First Conservation District
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 145 Commerce Street Craig, CO 81625

Minutes 8/10/2021

Place: Moffat County Courthouse

**NOTE: Agenda subject to changes and additions. Please note that the Board may discuss any topic relevant to CFCD business, whether or not the topic has been specifically noted on this agenda.*

Attendance: Board Members – Ken Bekkedahl, Rod Cook, Jorgiea Raftopoulos, Colton Murray, Nick Charchalis DCT – Jerry Magas DM – Kacey Green NRCS – Rebecca Burton, Laurel Dietch

Call meeting to Order: Meeting was called to order at 6:50 by Jorgiea

Reading of Previous Minutes: Colton moved and Ken seconded to approve minutes. Motion passed

Treasure's Report: Ken moved and Nick seconded to approve Treasurer's report, motion passed.

New Bills for approval: Nick moved and Colton seconded to pay bills, motion passed

Charter Internet	\$ 79.99
CACD Dues	\$1200.00

Guests:

Board Mileage and Time Report:

Name	Miles	Time	Note
Wayne Counts		N/A	
Nick Charchalis		7	
Colton Murray		4	
Rod Cook		2	
Ken Bekkedahl		8	
Bill Green		N/A	
Jorgiea Raftopoulos		10	

NRCS: Nakayla will email NRCS report

DCT Report: Jerry Magas reported 2 more approved plans

District Manager Report: Kacey Green reported on the STAR program/ soil health grant. The deadline for the grant is September 15th. This will be a voluntary program in which the district can help 5 producers participate in the STAR program. The district and the producers will receive incentive payments.

Old Business:

- Land Use Board – Ken reported that the land use board has been in discussions on Biden’s 30/30 plan. The biggest concern right now is: how does the administration define “conservation” and that the definition doesn’t get changed from the original intent. Ken thought that Pat O’Toole would be a good guest speaker at some point in the future.
- HPP proposal update – Colton will be taking the proposal for HPP funds for seed to upcoming meeting on August 16th. As of right now, there is no money from HPP to mitigate impacts of drought
- Schedule for upcoming NRCS tours:
 - August 13th – Wayne
 - September (tbd) – Jorgiea

New Business:

- Drought Tour: The Community ag alliance drought tour will be held on Wednesday, August 11. Kacey, Nick and Jorgiea will speak at the ranch stop on the Little Bear Ranch.
- Stimulus Money from SB 234 of \$15,000 went into the payroll account. Colton moved and Nick seconded to pay back the general fund in the amount of \$6,250.00. \$4,000 that has been borrowed since December 2020 to cover payroll costs, and \$2,250 for the cost of the website build (was awarded in the SIPA grant). Motion passed
- Guest speakers – Rebecca Burton gave a presentation on Low-Tech Wet Meadow restoration using Zeedyke rock structures. (See attached handout)
- The board agreed that it would be a good idea to set up an information table at the Moffat County Cattlemen’s fall gathering on September 10th. Kacey will organize it.

Next Monthly Meeting: September 14th, 6:30 pm – Location TBD

Adjourn: Colton moved and Nick seconded to adjourn meeting. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 PM

