

JEFFERSON VALLEY CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MINUTES

April 19, 2022

Borden's Conference Room

Supervisors Present: John Heide – Chair, Mark Gornick – Vice Chair, Tom Carey, Jr., Gerry Keogh, Jack Dawson

Others: Kris Hugulet – District Administrator, Diane Fitzgerald – NRCS, Ron Spoon – DFW&P, Paula Gunderson – NRCS, Nate Matteson – NRCS, John Merkel – 310 Applicant, Doug Salsbury – Landowner

The meeting was called to order at 11:00 AM by Chairman, John Heide.

MINUTES:

The minutes from the previous meeting were reviewed. A motion by Gerry to approve the minutes was heard and seconded by Tom. The motion carried and the minutes were approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

The Board reviewed the financial report to date. A motion by Tom to approve the financial report was heard and seconded by Gerry. The motion carried and the financial report was approved. Recent billing and invoices were reviewed. Gerry made a motion to approve the payment of the invoices submitted. Tom seconded the motion and the motion carried.

BUSINESS:

Jefferson Canal /Fish Creek Canal

John Merkel discussed with the Board; the work that had been done last fall on the diversion. It was noted that they did not leaving enough room for safe boat access. At the time that the work was done last year it was late and the water was too high to move the boulders. They are going to try to move below the diversion and get the rocks out of the way so that the floaters can get access around the main diversion. When they get their regular permit in July they will move the rocks to allow for better access over the diversion. After discussion, it was noted that immediately, the removal of the main rock in question will allow for the early boaters to get by without having issues. It was noted that this project will be completed through the emergency application.

Doug Salsbury discussed the issue with tumble weeds and beaver on the Whitetail Deer Creek. This issue has the creek backed up and causing ice jamming and flooding. This has caused personal property damage at several locations.

Ron and Kris will work on putting a letter together to send to the highway department to see if they can come in and clean up the area and the culverts and perhaps bring in a trapper.

JRWC:

Gerry stated that the group discussed the upcoming field season and the continuation of work on the slough.

310 Applications:

JV-04-22 – Angela Karanas & Wes Daems – Dry Creek – This application has been declared a project. An on-site inspection has been waived by the Department and the District. This application received the Board's final approval.

Grant Discussion:

Kris stated that both Dan and Glen had contacted her about attending the meeting today. They have talked and discussed the project. It appears that Glen is wanting to move forward with the project. Project costs and permitting will need to be discussed soon so that all can be in place to complete the project at the site.

Lower Boulder Grant:

Kris reported that the Lower Boulder grant application has been submitted and is currently being reviewed.

Reports:

NRCS

Diane informed the Board that program approvals are coming in now. The TIP was approved with some modifications for the Boulder River. April 29th will be the Arber Day program and they will be handing out the pollinator seed and information on behalf of the conservation district.

Diane reviewed the Civil Rights information and the Memorandum of Agreement between the NRCS and the District.

DNRC/CDB:

Stephanie Criswell submitted a written report (see attached).

Supervisor's Reports:

Gerry stated that he had accepted the re-appointment to the Planning Board.

Correspondence:

MACD/DNRC/Western Governor's Report:

Updates and information from these organizations were copied and submitted for the Supervisor's consideration.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Kris Hugulet, District Administrator