



Madison Conservation District
Local Common Sense Conservation

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Final Agenda

Regular Monthly Board Meeting ****12:00 PM**** February 16, 2021
WebEx (virtual) & Madison Valley Public Library

1. Call meeting to order: 12:00
2. Review minutes from previous meetings: 12:05
3. Financial-INA Accounting: 12:06
 - a. \$9000 transfer from savings to checking on 1/28/2021
4. Public Comment:
5. NRCS Report:
6. Madison River Foundation – Jim Kramer and Jon Malovich
7. Business-310-Paul Jurenas: 12:15
 - a. 21-01
 - Applicant: North Western Energy
 - Stream: UT to MFWF Gallatin
 - Type of Project: Utilities – access transmission line to replace 4 new electric transmission poles
 - Status:
 - Date of Proposed Work: 5/1/21 to 9/30/21
 - Notes:

 - Approved/Modified/Tabled
 - b. 21-02
 - Applicant: John Herold
 - Stream: South Meadow Creek
 - Type of Project: Remove and replace existing timber bridge with prefabricated steel bridge
 - Status:
 - Date of Proposed Work: 3/1/2021 to 3/31/2021
 - Notes:

 - Approved/Modified/Tabled
 - c. 19-27Ext.
 - Applicant: MB MT Acquisitions, LLC (Kevin Germain)
 - Stream: Moonlight and Jack Creeks
 - Type of Project: To provide improved roads/access in the Lee's Pool development, specifically the South Side Road
 - Status: Permit expired 11/30/2020
 - Date of Proposed Work:
 - Notes: Requesting a 2-year extension

 - Approved/Modified/Tabled
 - d. Work Completion Reports:

- 20-06 N. Willow Creek; Dusty Wagner; project to fix embankment around a culvert.
- e. Monthly time spent on 310's; X hours
- f. 310 Permit Specialist Position and Hiring Process
 - Interviewing candidates by the end of the month
 - Hiring by our March meeting
 - Transition Date

8. Old Business and Reports:

- a. MT Conservation Corp (MCC) Conservation Fellow
 - Interviews and selection in the coming month
- b. Science Fair Funds
 - \$200 went to the Ennis School District for conservation science programming

9. New Business:

- a. Heavy Harrow Teeth – Ennis Schools
- b. Beaverhead-Deerlodge Working Group
 - GAOA proposals for FY23 project
 - Serving as Madison RD liaison

10. Correspondence:

- a. Annual MOA with NRCS
- b. MCD Model Draft 310 Enforcement Model
- c. Working Lands Internship Program
- d. Moonlight Basin Pre-Application Packet: Madison Overlook 2
- e. MACD Correspondence
 - LAHC Minutes 2/2/21 – Legislative Update
 - MACD/SWCDM Combined Budget

11. Supervisors Report:

12. Staff/Project Report:

1. Madison Stream Team
 - a. Data analysis and two-year report by the end of March
 - b. Baseline nitrate sampling on Jack Creek
 - c. Working with Adam Sigler (MSU-ext.) regarding Tributary Blitz data for the state
2. Pollinator Program
 - a. Potentially partnering with the Town of Ennis to have public pollinator gardens
3. Range Health Program
 - a. Working with partners to pilot a program this year
4. Wildlife Speaker Series
 - a. Partnering with RVCD, BCD, Ruby Habitat Foundation, Centennial Valley Association
 - b. 2 virtual events this summer
5. Madisonian Newspaper
 - a. Natural Resource Notes (NRN) column on our website (updates/resources/outreach)
6. Watershed Restoration Plan
 - a. Public meeting likely in March
7. Planning Board
 - a. New employee in the planning office; Levi Simonson
 - b. Pre-apps: North 40 (Ennis), Madison Overlook 2 (Moonlight), and Rambling Moose RV (VC)
 - c. Floodplain Designation update
8. Planning Board Subcommittee
 - a. First round of updates has been brought to the board; second round in progress
9. MOU with RVCD regarding common boundary along watershed delineation
 - a. RVCD February meeting update; XX?
10. Employee Org
 - a. Spoke with Ethan Kunard (prior MCD manager) and Chris Evans (LCCD admin.)
 - b. We have paid these dues in the past
 - c. Represents a clearing house of updated and relevant resources for CD employees

11. NRCS Targeted Implementation Plan (TIP) for E. Tobacco Roots Stream Health Projects
 - a. Edited and provided feedback on first and second draft
12. Events and Meetings attended
 - a. Madison County Planning Board Meeting, Jan 25th
 - b. MSU Soil Fertility Webinar, Jan 20th
 - c. Beaverhead-Deerlodge Working Group; Feb 3rd
 - d. NACD national convention; Feb 8th – 10th
 - e. MACD Legislative Ad Hoc Committee Meeting; Jan 26th, Feb 2nd and Feb 9th
 - f. MACD/EO Monthly CD Roundtable; Jan 25th
 - g. MACD/SWCMD combined budget meeting; Jan 17th
 - h. Field visit with Supervisor Bob Sitz; Jan 26th
 - i. Hosted Rancher Roundtables; Jan 26th (97 participants!) and Feb 9th
 - j. Ennis Town Meeting (pollinator gardens proposal); Feb 11th

13. Upcoming Dates:

- a. Madison County Planning Board Meeting; Feb 22nd, 6p.m.
- b. MCD Monthly Meeting; March 16th, 12p.m.
- c. CD Bureau New Supervisor Training; February 17th, 7a.m.
- d. NCAT Soils Conference; March 8th and 9th
- e. Rancher Roundtable, Grazing to Improve Soil Health; February 23rd, 5 p.m.