

AGENDA - FLOOD CONTROL DISTRICT 9 MEETING-Revised
Wednesday, January 15, 2025 at 3:00PM
OLD COURTHOUSE – Commissioner’s Room
206 S. 1st Ave. Hailey, ID 83333

CALL TO ORDER, ESTABLISH QUORUM

Meeting called to order by Bryan Dilworth at 3:00 pm
Commissioners Bryan Dilworth, Suzanne Pattinson, and John Wright present
Also Present: Stephanie Carlson, Larry Schoen, Chris Corwin, Cory McCaffrey, Chad Sluder

ACTION ITEM: Approve Minutes from December 18, 2024

Suzanne Pattinson moves to approve the minutes as is, Bryan Dilworth seconds. The motion to approve the 12/18/24 minutes passes unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR (ACTION ITEM):

- Stephanie Carlson Invoice #105
- IME Invoice
- Sluder Construction Invoice
- Biota Research and Consulting Invoice

Pattinson moves to approve the Consent Calendar, Dilworth seconds. The motion to approve the 1/15/25 Consent Calendar passes.

BANK UPDATES:

Monthly Remittance Total| Monthly LGIP Interest Earned |DL Evans Balance

Carlson updated the Commissioners on the funds in the DL Evans bank account and what the estimated balance will be after the final payment for the Zinc Spur project (Sluder Construction Invoice).

NEW BUSINESS (ACTION ITEM):

-Payment for Email domain & website

Carlson informed the Commissioners that currently the email domain is being paid for by her personal funds, and the website is still under Molli Linnet’s personal account. Schoen suggested that the FCD9 could get a debit card and use it for those types of purchases. The Commissioners agreed that FCD9 could obtain a debit card to use for these purchases. Pattinson moves to get a FCD9 debit card, Wright seconds and the motion passes.

Wright and Dilworth asked about the new email addresses, Carlson mentioned that they have been active since November and offered to help the Commissioners set them up. Corwin suggested that Carlson inform the FCD9 contacts of the new email addresses, Carlson agreed and will notify everyone once the Commissioners have access to their accounts. Schoen pointed out that it is important for the Commissioners to only use their official email addresses moving forward, and to keep the FCD9 work separate from their personal email.

-Russ Hudyma Donation

Dilworth updated the Commission on Russ Hudyma's donation to help cover the costs of the Zinc Spur project. Hudyma made a \$48,000 donation at the end of December. This donation is in addition to the previous donations from the Zinc Spur residents. Carlson added that she has a donation letter that will need to be signed by the Commissioners.

-FCD9 Treasurer

Dilworth pointed out that the FCD9 hasn't elected a treasurer. He also mentioned that when Dave Bell was a Commissioner, Dilworth and Bell would receive notifications of when deposits were made into the LGIP or when there were account changes. The Commissioners agreed that this would be helpful.

When asked about the Treasurer's rolls, Dilworth said that the treasurer would manage the LGIP as well as the other funds. Schoen asked if the FCD9 has bylaws, and mentioned that the role of the Treasurer should be described in the bylaws. He pointed out that the bylaws would establish the standard for the position. Schoen also pointed out that if there aren't bylaws when the Treasurer is elected, when the motion is made we should also outline the basic responsibilities and duties in order to protect that person. Schoen will share the bylaws from the chief committee. Wright asked if bylaws and policy are the same thing. Schoen described that the policy manual is directed to specific activities such as Human Resources, safety, etc, while bylaws describe the roles and responsibilities. The policy would describe how you can or cannot invest funds while the bylaws would outline the expectations of the person managing the funds. Pattinson mentioned that she received some information from FCD10 which she still needs to review, Schoen said that he would share what he has and that the policy can be simple.

McCaffrey asked how the bylaws differ from State Statutes. Wright said that the bylaws are in addition to State Statute, and Schoen added that a government entity would adopt bylaws as a guiding document. An example given was how Blaine County revised their bylaws to say that the Commissioners no longer have to follow Robert's Rules of Order. Different organizations have different expectations of a Treasurer, so the bylaws specify the expectations for each individual organization. Dilworth asked how bylaws would align with ICRMP, Schoen said that ICRMP would have its own set of bylaws and the FCD9 bylaws could refer to those documents. Pattinson suggested that the Treasurer discussion should be included in the bylaws and policy manual conversation since it sounds like those need to be established first. Wright asked Schoen if he recommends FCD9 choose an interim treasurer for now, and Schoen responded that it could wait since we haven't had a treasurer in the past. He suggested that FCD9 document the roles of the Treasurer in the bylaws and elect a Treasurer when that is established. Pattinson will do more research on other Flood Control District's bylaws and policies to be reviewed at the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS (ACTION ITEM):

-Zinc Spur Project

Chad Sluder updated the Commissioners on this project and said that it turned out well. He added large trees and extra rock to help with the longevity. Dilworth mentioned that he walked it and it looked good to him. Wright brought up that Project Bigwood received several calls about an excavator in the river around January 3rd, so Amanda Bauman went to take a look at it. Dilworth mentioned that when he walked the area there was only an excavator on the side of the river. Wright added that Bauman found the permit for the project and determined that it had expired at the end of December so she called IDWR regarding the permit and the fact that there wasn't an engineer on hand. She had also observed that the island looked like it was taller. Sluder clarified that he didn't do any work on the island and only widened the bottom of the channel. He added that he followed the detailed plans for the project, and didn't perform any work outside of those plans. Corwin pointed out that Ryan Collier performs site inspections

throughout the project and is not normally on site for the duration of the project. McCaffrey, Corwin and Pattinson all agreed that it is rare for an engineer to be on site for the entire project. Dilworth mentioned that the work on this project looks like it will stop the scouring from above the levee which was a goal of the project.

-Heagle Restoration

McCaffrey from the Wood River Land Trust (WRLT) updated the board on this project. They received the greenlight for the project. WRLT has the County permit, SAP, floodplain conditional use permit and Federal, state and City of Hailey permits. Funding was secured from other sources, so they are planning on a July or August start date. A contract needs to be developed with Oxbow Earthworks, McCaffrey sent FCD9 a sample contract that could be edited to be used. Dilworth pointed out that the Flood Control District doesn't have an in-house attorney and asked how soon the contract needs to be signed. McCaffrey said that it would be ideal to have it for the February 19th meeting, but it can be pushed to March. Dilworth said that between now and the next meeting FCD9 can research and have a contract for the next meeting. Dilworth pointed out that he thought the project would be happening in the winter rather than the summer to protect the vegetation, McCaffrey said that with the funding and permits it didn't work out that way, but they are hoping to do planting after the project in September/October.

-Logo

Carlson presented the draft logo from Amanda Bauman to the Commissioners. It was clarified that the text listed below the logo is a mission/vision statement. Wright said that the State Statute says protection involving restoration which is where they came up with the text of "Protection through restoration". Pattinson suggested changing the color of the "#9" to be orange like the rest of the name, and Carlson agreed. Schoen pointed out that the image in the logo is a mountain and there is no water in it which makes it look like the organization could be involved in trails or mountains. Wright said that the environment in this area is dominated by mountains, and the floodplain is represented by the flat line on the bottom. He pointed out that he and Bauman worked on water concepts but chose this one. Corwin brought up that the FCD does more than restoration, so only putting restoration makes it sound like that is all we do. He pointed out that there's also mitigation and other things involved in this work that could be mentioned. McCaffrey suggested having just three words instead of a phrase, and Pattinson thought of "Safety, Protection, Restoration". Pattinson also suggested removing the words and instead having that information in the mission statement.

COMMISSIONER UPDATES

Dilworth brought up a conversation he had with Russ Hudyma about how the County and residents seem to want to spend money on trails but don't invest in doing anything for the river. Hudyma was shocked at the small amount of tax dollars that the FCD9 collects. Corwin said that FCD9 can present a levy increase to bring in more funds for river work. Schoen clarified that it would be a permanent levy but the County, BCRD, and Ambulance District will also be proposing levy's this year. He also mentioned that people will want to know what we are doing with the money we currently have, and why we are asking for more money. Wright pointed out that the river is surrounded by private land so it can get contentious, and be hard to get work done, while the trails are being built on public land or BLM land.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- Schoen looked at the snow water equivalent and it is 102% and last year it was at 72% in January. It can go up or down, but it is worth noting those numbers. He mentioned that the Groundwater Advisory Committee pays attention to those numbers in terms of water

supply and that this information is a good resource. Wright suggested we provide those resources on our website.

- McCaffrey brought up an event at the Community Library on February 19th at 5:30pm. The event will feature Dr. Colin Thorne and is called Restoring the Dignity of our Rivers.

NEXT MEETING:

February 19, 2025 at 3:00pm

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURN

Wright moves to adjourn the meeting, Pattinson seconds, the meeting is adjourned at 3:56pm