

Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commission

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IDAHO SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING & TELECONFERENCE

Date and Time: Thursday, September 16, 2021 10:05 AM – 11:45 AM MT Location: 322 E. Front St., Suite 560 Boise, Idaho 83702

MINUTES

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Norman Wright (Chair) (Zoom) Erik Olson (Secretary) (Zoom)

COMMISSION STAFF PRESENT:

Delwyne Trefz Rachel Misnick (Zoom) Bill Lillibridge (Zoom) Joe Peterson Terry Hoebelheinrich (teleconference) Cathy Roemer (Vice-Chair) (Zoom) Wendy Pratt (Zoom)

Crystal Rosen Loretta Strickland (Zoom) Chuck Pentzer Brenda Charles

PARTNERS AND GUESTS PRESENT:

Benjamin Kelly, IASCD (Zoom) Curtis Elke, NRCS (teleconference) Rob Sepich, LSO (Zoom) Steve Strack, OAG (Zoom)

ITEM #1: WELCOME AND ROLL CALL

Vice-Chair Roemer called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM. Roll call: Commissioners Cathy Roemer, Erik Olson, and Wendy Pratt were present. Chairman Norman Wright was Absent.

ITEM #2: PARTNER REPORTS

Action: None taken

Chairman Wright joined the meeting at 10:13 AM.

Chairman Wright yielded the gavel to Vice-Chair Roemer.

ITEM #3: AGENDA REVIEW

Action: None taken.

ITEM #4: CONSERVATION RESERVE ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM UPDATE

Action: None taken.

ITEM #5: REPORTS

Action: None taken.

ITEM #6: ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Action: Commissioner Olson made a motion to authorize staff to draft and submit to OSC comments on the Sawtooth and the Caribou-Targhee NF prescribed fire projects. Commissioner Wright seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Vice-Chair Roemer yielded the gavel to Chairman Wright.

Commissioner Roemer left the meeting at 11:09 AM.

Action: Commissioner Olson made a motion to give authority for the administrator to work with NRCS, IASCD, and IDEA to coordinate the process of developing a joint strategic plan for the Idaho conservation partnership. Commissioner Pratt seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #7: RESOURCE CONSERVATION & RANGELAND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM UPDATE

Action: Commissioner Olson made a motion to *lower all interest rate scenarios by 1.5%* as recommended by staff to coordinate with the base interest rate reduction approved on August 19, 2021. Commissioner Pratt seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #8: DISTRICT SUPPORT SERVICES UPDATE

Action: Commissioner Olson made a motion to *approve the FY 2022 District Allocation Matching Funds to be distributed as recommended by ISWCC staff and DAWG.* Commissioner Pratt seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #9: MINUTES

Action: Commissioner Pratt made a motion to *approve the August 19, 2021 Regular Meeting minutes as submitted*. Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #10: FINANCIAL REPORTS

Action: Commissioner Pratt made a motion *to approve the Financial Reports for the month ended August 31, 2021.* Commissioner Olson seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #11: FY 2023 BUDGET REQUEST UPDATE

Action: Commissioner Olson made a motion to *approve the revised FY 2023 Budget Request, granting authority to Administrator to make minor adjustments to request amounts, if necessary.* Commissioner Pratt seconded the motion. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

ITEM #7: ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 AM. The next Commission Meeting will be held on October 21, 2021 in Boise.

Respectfully submitted,

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Erik Olson, Secretary