



Idaho Soil & Water Conservation Commission

322 E Front St, Suite 560 • Boise Idaho 83702
Telephone: 208-332-1790 • Fax: 208-332-1799

IDAHO SOIL & WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION PUBLIC MEETING & TELECONFERENCE

Date and Time:

Tuesday, January 17, 2023
9:16 AM – 11:16 AM MT

Location:

322 E. Front St., Suite 560
Boise, Idaho 83702

MINUTES

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT:

Norman Wright (Chair) (Zoom)	Erik Olson (Vice-Chair)
Wendy Pratt (Secretary)	Joan Cloonan
Karen Sharpnack	Richard Savage (Zoom)

COMMISSION STAFF PRESENT:

Delwyne Trefz	Crystal Rosen
Melonie Ziegler (Zoom)	Loretta Strickland
Joe Peterson	Brenda Charles (Zoom)
Dustin Diaz (Zoom)	

PARTNERS AND GUESTS PRESENT:

Joy Vega, OAG	Ken Stinson, Latah SWCD
Tom Daniel, IASCD	Devin Fielding, IASCD
Greg Becker, NRCS (Zoom)	Karla Freeman, Kootenai Shoshone SWCD (Zoom)
Mitch Silvers, Public Citizen (Zoom)	

ITEM #1: WELCOME AND ROLL CALL – Vice-Chairman Olson

Vice-Chairman Olson called the meeting to order at 9:16 AM.

Roll call: Chairman Norman Wright, Commissioners Erik Olson, Wendy Pratt, Joan Cloonan, Karen Sharpnack, and Richard Savage were present. Commissioner Becker was absent.

ITEM #2: AGENDA REVIEW – Vice-Chairman Olson

Action: None taken

ITEM #3: PARTNER REPORTS

Action: None taken

ITEM #4: MINUTES – Vice-Chairman Olson

Action: Commissioner Cloonan made a motion to *approve the August 25,2022, September 22,2022, and November 15, 2022 Regular Meeting and Listening Session minutes with correction to the roll call notation on the November 15,2022 Listening Session to reflect Commissioner Pratt’s absence.* Commissioner Pratt seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM #5: REPORTS – Staff, Commissioners

Action: None taken.

ITEM #6: DISTRICT SUPPORT SERVICE UPDATE – Loretta Strickland

Action: None taken.

ITEM #7: ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT – Delwyne Trefz

Action: None taken.

ITEM #8: FISCAL OFFICE REPORT – Melonie Ziegler

Action: None taken.

Meeting recessed at 10:28 AM.

Meeting reconvened at 10:37 AM.

ITEM #9: MEDIA ACTIVITIES REPORT – Joe Peterson

Action: None taken.

ITEM #10: EXECUTIVE SESSION – Vice-Chairman Olson

Action: Commissioner Sharpnack made a motion to *enter Executive Session pursuant to Idaho Code § 74-206(1)(d) for the purpose of discussing documents under attorney-client privilege.* Commissioner Cloonan seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous roll call vote.


ITEM #10a: DISCLOSURE OF GUIDANCE PROTECTED BY ATTORNEY-CLIENT PRIVILEGE – Delwyne Trefz

Action: Commissioner Cloonan made a motion to *release into public record Deputy AG Bell’s document of guidance on the legal status of Conservation Districts.* Commissioner Wright seconded the motion. Motion passed by unanimous vote.

ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 AM. The next Commission Meeting will be held on February 22, 2023 in Boise.

Respectfully submitted,


Wendy Pratt (May 3, 2023 14:03 MDT)

Wendy Pratt, Secretary