

## IDAHO SOIL and WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT GENERAL MEETING

USDA Service Center, 83 Highway 95 N, Grangeville, ID 83530 Friday, October 3, 2008 6:00 A.M.

### CALL TO ORDER

6:00 A.M.

Scott Wasem

Scott Wasem called the meeting to order at 6:09 a.m. In attendance were Tom Gehring and Leon Slichter. Pete Lane and Ed Stuvenga were absent. Others present were Jessica Wells-IASCD, Richard Spencer-NRCS, Stefanie Bowman-IDSWCD.

### MINUTES

6:10 A.M.

Scott Wasem

September 3, 2008-Leon made a motion to approve the minutes with corrections. Tom seconded. Motion carried.

### TREASURER'S/BILLS REPORT

6:10 A.M.

Scott Wasem

Leon would like to negotiate with the fair board next year regarding the booth rental fee.

Leon made a motion to approve treasurer's report and Bills Report as presented. Tom seconded. Motion carried.

### IASCD & ISCC

6:20 A.M.

Jessica Wells

#### Staff Reports-

Greg Arnzen – has two diversions in his contract. Would like to delete the upper one, because they are installing a roof runoff to catch the water and disperse of the water that way. The lower diversion was going to require 200 ft of 12" pipe. Eileen determined this would not be cost feasible. So Greg is going to install a 6" pipeline on his own time and cost that will cover the water flow 90% of the time. Scott would like to suggest that we adjust up to the actual cost of the 12" pipeline. This needs to be completed, because it is an integral part of the contract. They can require that Greg do the diversions or he would be found out of compliance of the contract. For Greg to put in the 12" pipe, it would be cheaper than installing the 6" on his own, once we update the cost list.

Deb Hatter - wants to repair an existing fence. This is just a property/ pasture fence. Leon said that the board would not be interested in this type of project. In open range, the landowner has the responsibility to keep the fence up to keep the cattle out.

Bob Lustig – Bob brought his soil test in. The test was taken about a month after he fertilized. One fertilizer company was pushing producers to buy early to save money. We could defer payment until it is done correctly. We need to find a way to address this with both the fertilizer companies and the producers. They need to complete the contract the way it is written. **Leon made a motion to have Eileen or Jessica contact Bob and let him know that we are going to defer payment until it is done correctly. Tom seconded. Motion carried**

Dave Holman – payment application. His contract expired in December of 2007. There is a contract extension and two payment applications. The first payment application is for 4 heavy use pads and 4 watering facilities for \$6673.77 The second payment application was for electric fence \$132.30.

Brendan Crea currently has a copy of the cost list and he will help us update the list when he gets a chance. The board doesn't think the gas should be separated out; it should be included in the cost list. The producers wouldn't know that gas was included in the costs. We need to run this on a current commercial rate. Add 25% to the price, plus the labor rate for the tractors. Discussion followed on updating the cost list. See attached cost list.

We have three producers Tim Gehring, Brian Gehring and Darrel Newman – they are completely done with their contracts, but we need to get them paid and can't do this until the cost lists are updated.

Tim Gehring - \$13189.51  
Brian Gehring - \$12,879,71  
Darrel Newman - \$33061.42

**Leon made a motion to update the cost list as of today. Tom seconded. Motion carried.**

Ken Stubbers needs a new feedlot, because he is losing his current one. He has to meet Tier III CSP requirements. Design just the culvert portion. Would having him install at his cost and then once the contract is signed reimburse him for the culvert and installation be an option? The board said that they would address this later if anything comes of it.

**NRCS**

**7:40 A.M.**

**Richard Spencer**

October 31, 2008 is the sign up deadline for EQIP 2009. NRCS does not have any protocols yet. CSP payments are probably going to come out in November. This is following the previous years. Field verifications will be done again this year. To receive the payments, the producers will have to come in and talk with an NRCS employee to certify their enhancements.

Building updates. The bid process has been closed. State office will be coming up to look at the places we may move too.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**8:00 A.M.**

**Scott Wasem**

1. Audit Update
2. Cooperative working agreement **Leon made a motion to accept the final draft. Tom seconded. Motion carried.**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**8:15 A.M.**

**Scott Wasem**

1. IASCD Annual Conference in Coeur d'Alene -
2. Division II Fall Meeting – Grangeville 10-8-08
3. Executive Session – Employee Year Review – **7:30 a.m.**

**Tom left at 8:45 a.m.**

**ADJOURN**

**9:00 A.M.**

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING**

**Wednesday November 5, 2008 5:00 P.M.**

The Idaho Soil and Water Conservation District may also hold an executive session pursuant to Idaho Code 67-2345.  
Note: Order of agenda topics is subject to change.