

## Washoe-Storey Conservation District

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### Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes of February 2, 2015

#### Attendance:

Bret Tyler, WSCD Chairman  
James Shaffer, WSCD Secretary  
Tory Friedman, WSCD Supervisor  
Kevin Roukey, WSCD Treasurer  
Spencer Scott, WSCD Supervisor

Jessica Gwerder, NRCS Soil Conservationist  
Trina Johnson, NRCS Soil Conservationist  
Kathy Tilton, WSCD Volunteer  
Tim Rubald, NDCP Director  
Steve Weaver, NDCP Conservation Specialist

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#### I. Call to Order

##### A. Determination of Board Quorum and Introduction of Guests

- It was determined there was a quorum & Bret Tyler called the meeting to order @ 3:40PM
- Public Comments - none

#### II. Review, Amendment and Approval of Minutes

- Minutes from the November 3, 2014 were reviewed and **Kevin Roukey motion to approve the minutes and Jim Shaffer second the motion.** Bret Tyler asked all in favor and it passed.

#### IV. Supervisor, Staff and Consultant Items

- A. Announcements – Kathy reported phone call from Jennifer at the State Administration about pass due amount for Vendor Database Services for the District Website. Tim Rubald asked for info to contact them and will follow through on issue.
- B. Staff Budget Issues – Proposed Budget is due.
- \$5,000 for weed project was given to WSCD from Storey County. Board needs to decide what and where to spend this money. Bret will talk with Jamie Greet of the State Dept of Ag.
  - Bret is working on PowerPoint for presentation to Washoe County Commissioner meeting. He passed out PP outline to those present.
  - Sage Grouse Project needs NRCS to run the GIS for April. Avoid mid-March – mid May. It was suggested we talk with Katrina Krause in Minden NRCS field office who is a Wildlife Biologist. Kevin will call for scouts and if he can't get a response Kathy will assist in locating scouts to help with fence markers.
  - Kevin reported to board that Kathy needs to be paid for In-Kind on mileage to office to work on district administrative needs. The board agreed and told Kathy to keep up with mileage for reimbursement.



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## External Agency Reports

### A. NRCS– Trina Johnson, Soil Conservationist

- Updated on Washoe Valley Project with pipeline. Have met with landowner's and they are all for the project. Map was shown of area effected. NRCS will meet with landowners for updates on progress and WSCD board is invited to attend. Project will probably be funded through EQIP.
- Bi-State meeting on Managing Pinyon-Juniper Expansion in Sagebrush Ecosystems will be held on February 25-26, 2015 at the SVIC Hall in Minden, NV.
- New Release from NRCS about Application for Conservation Stewardship Program was handed out to board members. Applications due by Feb 27, 2015.

### B. NCDP – Steve Weaver, State Conservation Specialist

- Reported grant opportunities
- Need to get moving on Sage Grouse project and make contact with scouts. Kevin will check with Elks Lodge about help.
- Discussed division of the boundary lines from Washoe county and Vye county.

### C. NCDP – Tim Rubald, Conservation District Program Manager

- Budget may have possible increase of funding to reflect \$ 4000 instead of current amount.
- SB45- Revises provisions governing the distribution of grants of money by the State Conservation Commission to conservation districts.
- Goals are to get full time staff for District

## VI. Internal District Issues

### A. District Website

- Still a work in progress. Will need to keep updates going.

### B. Quarterly Public Meetings

- No report at this time.

## VII. District Projects

- RTC SE Connector –Christine is doing review and no headway.
- Fence Markers – Kevin will locate scouts and if need will contact Kathy for more rescues.
- Lockwood Garden – Reported to County Commission and Garden is doing well. Reno Elks would like a community garden with assistance from WSCD.
- Tenaya Creek – Kevin met with the board who presented a proposal to hire Erik Byer and Kevin would work with him.

## X. Next District Meeting

### A. Items for next meeting.

- Update on Tenaya Creek and SE Connector
- Sage-Grouse project
- Website
- Grant Writing Class

### B. Next meeting will be Monday, March 2, 2014 at 3:30 pm @ district office.

## XI. Adjourn – Action

- Tory Friedman made the motion to adjourn, Kevin Roukey 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion and it passed and the meeting was adjourned @ 5:45 PM

