

Color Country Resource Conservation & Development, Inc.
Board of Directors Meeting
March 14, 2007

MINUTES

Present: Directors Ken Sizemore, Allen Henrie, James Sorenson, Denny Drake, Gayle Rohde, Claire Baldwin, Dale Lefevre, Mary McCarthy, Glen Halterman, Jack Soper, Billie Dalton, Wayne Smith, Constance Robinson

Vicki Tyler, Coordinator

Excused: Director Eugene Mayor, Director Elaine Baldwin

Guests: Craig Eustice, representing Senator Bennett; Mike Empey, representing Congressman Matheson; Marreen Casper, representing Senator Hatch; Donald J. Willden, Beaver County Commissioner; Kathy Hendricks, Beaver FSA; Mark Nelson, USU Extension; Rowland Yardley, Beaver City; Chad Johnson, Beaver County Commission

CALL TO ORDER

President Henrie called the meeting to order in the Beaver County Administration Building, Beaver, Utah, at 10:00AM.

President Henrie introduced himself and asked the directors present and guests to introduce themselves.

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Upon presentation and after discussion and corrections, a motion was duly made (Gayle, Henrie) and it was:

RESOLVED: to accept the Minutes of the February meeting.

STAFF CHANGE

President Henrie informed the Board that administrative assistant Tracy Overlade had resigned. Vicki passed around a card and purchased a parting gift. Upon a motion duly made (Clare, Jim), it was:

RESOLVED: to reimburse Vicki \$50 for the gift.

Vicki submitted a proposal by Sorensen Enterprises, a bookkeeping consultant, to handle the bookkeeping duties for \$250 per month. She indicated that the consultant produced reports that were sufficient to meet grant requirements, provided all necessary data for the Board, and met all her expectations. The board will need to make arrangements to have someone put together the agendas and the minutes. After discussion and upon motion duly made (McCarthy, Clare), it was:

RESOLVED: to contract with Sorensen Enterprises for bookkeeping and grant-tracking duties, as presented.

RESOLVED: to instigate changes in the RC&D financial accounts to authorize Wendy Sorensen, Sorensen Enterprises to have signature authority to handle RC&D financial administration.

TABLED: assignments for minutes

Upon presentation, and after motion duly made (Denny, Jim) it was:

RESOLVED: to authorize a payment of \$315 to Sorensen Enterprises to bring the Council's financials up-to-date.

In closing this item, Vicki asked for a volunteer to attend a May training seminar covering all aspects of non-profit administration and bookkeeping. No directors were available. Vicki will extend the offer to Jim Madsen.

PROJECT UPDATES

Director Sorenson reported progress on the Trail Signage grant.

Director Gayle updated the Council on the \$1,000 Enterprise Community Center grant. She indicated an architect had been brought on board, a committee was being organized and that Utah State University had offered to help with landscape design.

Directors submitted comments on a survey for use in helping to complete a new Area 5-year plan. The surveys were distributed and directors identified where they would distribute the surveys. The Board agreed that the surveys were due back by mid-June.

COUNCIL ORGANIZATION

A draft of amended Council By-Laws were distributed. Directors McCarthy and Gayle worked with Vicki to update the By-Laws by incorporating new language identifying duties of Board officers, introducing new standing committees, and deleting language that would be incorporated in a new Policies and Procedures document. Language required by the federal government was also added. The Board decided to review the draft and be prepared to discuss and vote at the next Board meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Vicki distributed a new consolidated report developed by Sorensen Enterprises. After discussion, and upon motion duly made (Denny, Jim) it was:

RESOLVED: to approve the financial report and accept the new consolidated approach.

A short discussion on dues received to-date followed, with affected directors offering to contact appropriate parties in their jurisdictions to secure outstanding dues.

NEW PROJECTS

Kolob Terrace Fire Plan – President Henrie asked Director Sizemore to open the discussion of this potential project. Director Sizemore indicated that the Five County Association of Governments had assisted in the preparation of regional fire plans, but that smaller community plans still needed to be done. Vicki indicated that other RC&Ds work on these plans with affected communities and that this would be an appropriate project

for the Board's consideration. After discussion, and upon motion duly made (Gayle, Jim) it was:

RESOLVED: to accept the Kolob Terrace Fire Plan request as a new project.

Southwest Willow Flycatcher – Vicki updated the Board on this project. Farm Bureau Federation and Environmental Defense have approached the council on the possibility of holding an umbrella safe-harbor agreement for the council. This will not involve funding, at this point, but will be used as a mechanism to benefit private landowners, while still improving habitat for threatened and endangered species.

RESOLVED: to move forward with the draft document and discuss at a future meeting.

Paiute Tribe Native Gardens – the RC&D was asked to assist the Paiute Tribe in reviewing grant applications and help in providing contacts with potential funding sources. After discussion, and upon motion duly made (Jim, Clare), it was:

RESOLVED: to accept the Paiute Tribe Native Gardens request as a new project.

Beaver Community Center – Beaver City Councilman Roland Yardley presented a concept plan for a community center and asked the Board for assistance with contacts, grants and contracts. After discussion, and upon motion duly made (Dell, Clare) it was:

RESOLVED: to authorize Vicki and Directors to work with the City of Beaver to move the Beaver Community Center project forward.

OTHER ITEMS

President Henrie suggested that the April Board meeting be cancelled. The next Board Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 9, at 10 AM in Panguitch.

President Henrie asked Vicki to send a reminder to directors in the beginning of April to have the Area Plan surveys completed and returned by mid-June.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 AM.