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CALL TO ORDER & ATTENDANCE

Chairman Ronald Buentemeier called the March 13, 2017, 310-Stream Permit meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the conference room.

Board members present:

Ronald Buentemeier, Chairman; Pete Woll, Vice Chairman; Dean Sirucek, Secretary/Treasurer; Lori Curtis, Supervisor; Mark Siderius, Supervisor; John Ellis, Supervisor; Verdell Jackson, Supervisor; being a quorum of the Board.

Also in attendance were: Valerie Kurth, Cynthia Ingelfinger and Ginger Kauffman, FCD staff; Kenny Breidinger, Montana Fish Wildlife & Parks(MFWP); Cameron Wohlschlegel, FH Stoltze Land & Lumber; Samantha Tappenbeck, Soil & Water Conservation Districts of Montana (SWCDM); Jay Sandelin.

MINUTES

Verdell Jackson made a motion “to approve the minutes of the February 27, 2017, business meeting as presented.” Lori Curtis seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

1. Email: FWP news, information and updates for the Montana Joint Mussel Response Team, <http://bit.ly/mtmussel>
 2. Email: March 1, 2017 issue of *The Montana Conservationist* www.swcdmi.org
 3. Email: Statewide CD staff training, June 15-16, Helena. Tenlee G. Atchison, Cascade Conservation District, 406.727.3603 x125
 4. Email: Two-day Grant Writing Workshop, University of Montana Missoula, Montana, April 4 - 5, 2017, 8:30am to 5:00pm. \$549 USD per person, with a \$25 off discount for early sign-ups (10 business days or more before the workshop). <http://www.isfdonline.com>
 5. Email: Montana Association of Conservation Districts (MACD) 3/10 & 3/24 issues of Jeff Tiberi's legislative *News from the Front*, <http://macdnet.org>
 6. Email: March 16, 2017 Whitefish Planning Board meeting agenda. <http://www.cityofwhitefish.org>
 7. Email: MACD 2017 calendar, MACD & SWCSM February updates. Contact Elena Evans, MACD eevans@macdnet.org
 8. Email: Montana Joint Mussel Response Team updates. Comment on proposed rules to contain, detect and prevent the risk of spreading invasive mussels and other aquatic invasive species to other state waters are due March 17. A public hearing on proposed rule amendments is scheduled for March 14 in Helena at FWP
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Headquarters, 1420 E. 6th Ave. Email comments to fwpexotics@mt.gov.

FINANCIAL

The following bills were reviewed:

1. Byte Savvy \$45.00
2. Flathead Beacon \$528.00
3. Flathead Lakers \$2500.00
4. Mountain States Leasing – Kalispell \$1656.56
5. Northwest Montana Fair \$340.00
6. Whitefish County Water & Sewer District \$4798.37
7. VISA \$447.32

Mark Siderius made a motion “to approve the bills as presented.” Verdell Jackson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: No one was present to comment on items not listed on the agenda.

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DUNLAP, FL2017005, Whitefish River, dock: An on-site inspection was set for Wednesday, March 15, 2:15 P.M. at the site.

FH STOLTZE L&L, FL2017007, various streams, annual maintenance: Discussion held. Ronald Buentemeier made a motion “to approve the application with modifications, with the exception of removal of culvert extensions. Culvert extensions will require separate applications.” Mark Siderius seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

FH STOLTZE L&L, FL2017008, S. Fork Canyon Creek, diversion: Discussion held. Ronald Buentemeier made a motion “to approve the application as submitted.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

J&J RANCH/RIGHETTI, FL2017003C, Haskill Creek, complaint: Discussion held. John Ellis made a motion “to table until landowner information is received.” Verdell Jackson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

KELLEY, FL2016043C/FL2017002, Ashley Creek tributary, rock & fill placement/debris removal: Discussion held. Dean Sirucek made a motion “to table until the site is viewable.” Verdell Jackson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

PLUMMER, FL2016018, Flathead River/Church Slough, permit extension request: Discussion held. Dean Sirucek made a motion “to approve a one-year permit extension.” Verdell Jackson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.



ROUSE, FL2017006, Unnamed, pond: Discussion held. Ronald Buentemeier made a motion “based on the application and information provided, this is not a project.” Verdell Jackson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

THOMPSON RIVER WATERSHED RESTORATION PLAN (WRP): Samantha Tappenbeck, Soil & Water Conservation Districts of Montana (SWCDM), reported the Lower Clark Fork Watershed Group is working to draft the Thompson River Watershed Restoration Plan (WRP). Samantha stated McGregor Creek is within Flathead County and asked if the Flathead CD Board would be interested in participating, and, if so, in what capacity. Discussion held. Lori Curtis made a motion “for the Flathead CD to be listed as a member of the McGregor Creek working group for the WRP.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

MATTERS OF THE BOARD/STAFF

- College Scholarships application deadline – Wednesday, March 15, 4:00 P.M.
- Flathead Watershed Sourcebook second edition
- Clark Fork Basin Council meeting, April 19-20, Missoula
- Legislation- HB405, HB370

The next business-meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 27, 2017, 7:00 P.M. in the conference room of the USDA building at 133 Interstate Lane, Kalispell.

ADJOURNMENT: Lori Curtis made a motion “to adjourn.” John Ellis seconded. Motion carried unanimously. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 P.M.

Submitted By: Ginger Kauffman, Administrator

Minutes approved by FCD Board motion made on:

<u>3/27/2017</u>	<u>Ronald Buentemeier</u>	<u>Chairman</u>
(Date)	(Signature)	(Title - Chairman, Vice-Chairman, etc.)

