



Flathead Conservation District
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CALL TO ORDER & ATTENDANCE: Chairman Ronald Buentemeier called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in the conference room.

Board members present: Ronald Buentemeier, Chairman; Pete Woll, Vice Chairman; Camisha Sawtelle, Secretary/Treasurer; Dean Sirucek, Supervisor; John Ellis, Supervisor; Verdell Jackson, Supervisor; being a quorum of the Board.

Board members not in attendance: Mark Siderius, Supervisor. Absence is excused.

Also in attendance were: Valerie Kurth, Ginger Kauffman and Kari Musgrove, FCD staff; Leo Rosenthal, MFWP; Bob Lee, Audubon; Richard Sauerbier; Joe Murphy, Big Sky Engineering; Vernon & Karina Pettey; Tyler McRae, Glacier Institute.

MINUTES: Discussion held. Camisha Sawtelle made a motion “to approve the minutes of the April 27, 2015, business meeting as presented.” Verdell Jackson seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. May 2015 issue of “River 2 Lake News”
2. Flyer – Hill CD is sponsoring a “Shelterbelt Health & Maintenance Educational Seminar & Tour”, Thursday, June 4, 2015, 11:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M., Hingham Hi-Way Bar meeting room
3. Email – DNRC 223 Grant application deadline May 14, 2015.
4. Spring 2015 issue of Lower Musselshell CD newsletter “Conservation News”
5. Notice – Whitefish Planning Board meeting, Thursday, May 21, 6:00 P.M.
6. Notice – Revised Flathead County Lake & Lakeshore Protection Regulations can be downloaded from http://flathead.mt.gov/planning_zoing/downloads.php
7. April 28 issue of MACD “The Montana Conservationist”

FINANCIAL: The following bills were reviewed:

1. Anders Business Solutions \$5,650.00
2. Byte Savvy \$45.00
3. Flathead Beacon \$528.00
4. Montana State Fund \$667.38
5. Whitefish School District \$2029.34

Pete Woll made a motion “to approve the bills as presented.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

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

EDUCATION GRANT REQUESTS:

Libby Zimmerman, Flathead High School, did not attend.

Tyler McRae, Glacier Institute, presented an education grant request to the board for funds to purchase equipment to enhance conservation education lessons.

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BEARD, FL2015011, Flathead River, dock & locker structure: Discussion held. Pete Woll made a motion “to approve the application with modifications submitted 5/11/2015, and per Pete Woll’s and Kenny Breidinger’s team member report.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

CRAIG, FL2015009, Ashley Creek, irrigation structure: Discussion held. Dean Sirucek made a motion “to approve the application with modifications per Dean Sirucek’s and Kenny Breidinger’s team member report.” Pete Woll seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

EUREKA TOWN PUMP, FL2015016, Stillwater River, bank stabilization, channel alt.: An on-site inspection was set for Thursday, May 28, 8:30 A.M. at the site. Discussion held. Camisha Sawtelle made a motion “to contact DNRC regarding availability of funds for a technical review.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

FAITH BAPTIST CHURCH, FL2015020C, Unnamed stream, complaint: Discussion held. Ronald Buentemeier made a motion “to send the standard complaint letter to Faith Baptist Church.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

GROGAN, FL2015017, Flathead River, cut brush/debris: Discussion held. Ronald Buentemeier made a motion “to approve the phone poll.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

HAMILTON, FL2015002C, Flathead River, complaint: Discussion held. Dean Sirucek made a motion “to set up a meeting when Mrs. Hamilton is available in July.” Pete Woll seconded. Motion carried with one NO vote.

HUNNICUTT, FL2015019, Flathead River, bank stabilization, dock, debris removal: An on-site inspection was set for Wednesday, May 20, 9:30 A.M. at the site.

ILLICH, FL2014033C, Flathead River, complaint: Discussion held. Ronald Buentemeier made a motion “to table.” Pete Woll seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

REESE, FL2015018, Garnier Creek, culvert: An on-site inspection was set for Thursday, May 28, 10:30 A.M. at the site.

ROBBINS, FL2015015, Wiley Slough, wildlife observation blind: Discussion held. Dean Sirucek made a motion “to approve the application as submitted.” Pete Woll seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

STORER, FL2015013, Rose Creek, steps/re-schedule on-site: An on-site was scheduled for Wednesday, May 20, 9:00 A.M. at the site.

VALENTINO, FL2015012, Flathead River, dock & locker structure: Discussion held. Pete Woll made a motion “to approve the application with modifications submitted 5/11/2015, and per Pete Woll’s and Kenny Breidinger’s team member report.” Dean Sirucek seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: None

MATTERS OF THE BOARD/STAFF

- Local Working Group meeting, Tuesday, May 26, 6:30 P.M.

The next business meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 26, 2015, 7:00 P.M. in the conference room of the USDA building at 133 Interstate Lane, Kalispell.

ADJOURNMENT: Dean Sirucek made a motion “to adjourn.” John Ellis seconded. Motion carried unanimously. As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:34 P.M.

Submitted By: Ginger Kauffman, Administrator

Minutes approved by FCD Board motion made on:

5/26/2015 _____ Ronald Buentemeier _____ Chairman _____
(Date) (Signature) (Title - Chairman, Vice-Chairman, etc.)