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Quarterly Meeting of the MPCD Board of Supervisors October 16, 2024 – Noon, In-Person and Zoom

Call to Order:

12:05 pm by Deb Wood

Attendees Present: Quorum Established – 5 of 5 voting members

Deb Wood, President - **yes** Mark Volt, DCT - **yes**

Jay Yust, Vice President - yesKara Vigneau, NRCS Resource Con - yesJustin Fosha, Sec/Treas - yesStephen Jaouen, NRCS Team Lead - yesJohn Longhill, Board Member - yesCSU Extension - Summit - Dan Schroder - noBrien Rose, Board Member - yesCSU Extension - Grand - Brianna Osborn - no

Katlin Miller, District Manager - **yes** Colorado State Forest Service – Ryan McNertney - **no**

Approval of Agenda:

MOTION: Approve agenda with a change of moving Old Business and New Business before District Reports

because John will have to leave the meeting no later than 12:40.

Motion By: John Longhill Second By: Jay Yust Vote Outcome: Passed unanimously

Approval of Past Meeting Minutes (July 2024):

MOTION: Approve July 2024 minutes as written. <u>Board Meetings - Middle Park Conservation District</u>
Motion By: John Longhill Second By: Deb Wood Vote Outcome: Passed unanimously

Partner Reports:

NRCS:

- Kara is leaving Nov 1
- NRCS is working to get a detail for the Kremmling Office as soon as possible
- EQIP/CSP announcements will be coming out soon. A new category for irrigation infrastructure has been added.
- RCPP projects NRCS has been working on for the last several years should be wrapping up soon.
- NRCS will not be renewing the lease for the current building. Potential locations for the new office will be in Kremmling or Granby.

CSU Extension: None

CSFS: None

Old Business

MPCD Policy Book & Bylaws Update:

MOTION: Approve the suggested Bylaws changes relating to meeting notices and compliance with Colorado Open Meeting Laws as written.

Motion By: Brien Rose Second By: John Longhill Vote Outcome: Passed unanimously

MOTION: Approve the suggested MPCD Policy Book changes as written.

Motion By: John Longhill Second By: Brien Rose Vote Outcome: Passed unanimously

MPCD 2025-2027 LRP:

The draft 2025-2027 Long Range Plan was presented to the Board. The Board was asked to review and be prepared for discussion and approval in December.

New Business:

SIPA Grant - Accessibility:

Katlin has applied for a grant through SIPA (Statewide Internet Portal Authority) to get the CommonLook PDF software. This software will help us with PDF remediation (process of making PDFs ADA accessible). By July 2025, MPCD will need to make our website more accessible.

Draft 2025 Budget:

A draft 2025 budget was presented to the Board. The Board was asked to review the budget and be prepared to discuss/vote on a final budget in December.

Annual Meeting:

Katlin notified the board that she is no longer on the Board of the Middle Park Stockgrowers. She suggested that the MPCD Board use their December meeting as the "Annual meeting of landowners" because it will be the meeting that decisions about 2025 activities will be made. The Board agreed. Katlin will advertise this when advertising the budget hearing.

2025 Scholarship:

Katlin asked the board to vote on a decision about funding a 2025 scholarship so that she can advertise the scholarship at local high schools.

MOTION: Approve a 2025 scholarship in the amount of \$500 to a graduating senior in Grand or Summit County who is going into a field of study related to environmental conservation and/or agriculture.

Motion By: John Longhill Second By: Brien Rose Vote Outcome: Passed unanimously

Schedule December Meeting:

MOTION: Schedule the final meeting of the year at which time we will finalize the 2025 Budget and the 2025-2027 Long Range Plan for Tuesday, December 17, 2025, at Noon.

Motion By: Brien Rose Second By: John Longhill Vote Outcome: Passed unanimously

Other Expenses: Education, CACD Dues

MOTION: Approve payment of \$250 to CACD for annual dues and approve additional expense of education materials so long as total Education expenses in the budget do not exceed \$4,000.

Motion By: John Longhill Second By: Brien Rose Vote Outcome: Passed unanimously

John Longhill had to get off the meeting at this point (12:40). Quorum still established with 4 of 5 voting members present.

MPCD Reports:

DM:

- Preparing 2025-2027 Long Range Plan & 2025 Budget
- Finished LWG Report
- Applied for DCT Grant 2025
- Finalized Petition for Inclusion Tart Property
- Student Education: GCWIN Watershed Field Trips (6 in the month of September)

• Seed Sales & Newsletter

DCT:

- Working on EQIP contracts 2 current contracts and 1 new potential project
- Seed sales in the office
- Continuity in the office

Financials:

MOTION: Approve financial report as presented.

Motion By: Brien Rose Second By: Justin Fosha Vote Outcome: Passed unanimously

Closing Round Table:

- Katlin will look into the requirements of applications for the Open Lands, Rivers, and Trails fund. She will
 then advertise those requirements so that landowners with eligible projects can apply for funding through
 MPCD.
- Stephen There will be a meeting in November about the new RCPP wolf conflict mitigation program. Stephen will let us know when that meeting is scheduled.

Adjourn:

MOTION: Adjourn the meeting at 12:56pm

Motion By: Brien Rose Second By: Deb Wood Vote Outcome: Passed unanimously