

LANDER COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday October 11th, 2022, 5:30pm

Location: 815 North 2nd Street Battle Mountain, NV 89820

Acronym Key:

AUM- Animal Unit Months

BLM- Bureau of Land Management

CD- Conservation District

DCNR- Department of Conservation and Natural Resources

LC- Lander County

LCCAT- Lander County Convention and Tourism

LCCD- Lander County Conservation District

NACO- National Association of Counties

NDA- Nevada Department of Agriculture

NEPA- National Environmental Policy Act

NDOW- Nevada Department of Wildlife

NRCS- Natural Resources Conservation Service

UNR- University of Nevada

USFWS- United States Fish and Wildlife Service

WMA- Wildlife Management Area

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER AND DETERMINATION OF QUORUM

- *4 Board members present, quorum determined. Chairman Paul Tomera called meeting to order at 5:40pm*

A. Introduction of those in attendance

- *In person: LCCD secretary Anna Vinogradova. LCCD board members Amy Nelson, Dennis Cawrse, Paul Tomera, Suzann Lemaire. LC Manager Bert Ramos. NDOW Biologist Jeremy Lutz. LCCAT Paula Tomera.*
- *Online: NDOW Outdoor Connection Coordinator Bobby Jones*

II. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- *LC (Bert): Insurance for CD update- providers said it's possible, legal needs to get contract in writing done. **Will be on county commissioner's agenda.***

III. REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF 10/11/2022 AGENDA- [FOR POSSIBLE ACTION](#)

- *Motion to approve Suzann, 2nd Dennis. None opposed.*

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AGENDA TAKEN OUT OF ORDER. PROCCEED TO ITEM VIII A & B

IV. REVIEW, AMEND AND/OR APPROVE MINUTES FROM 09/13/2022 MEETING- FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- *Motion to approve Amy, 2nd Suzann. None opposed.*

V. TREASURER'S REPORT

A. Financial updates- FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- *Motion to approve September financial record Dennis, 2nd Suzann. None opposed. Anna to call BLM for BLM funds update.*

B. Bills to be paid- FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

1. \$89.94 Quill.com for office supplies

- *Motion to approve office supply bill Amy, 2nd Dennis. None opposed.*

C. Wages/timesheet approval for Anna for September and funds owed post retroactive raise -

FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- *Motion to approve payment to secretary of \$1,500.00 September wages from State Operating funds and \$2,705.00 from General funds Amy, 2nd Dennis. None opposed.*

D. Grant updates- FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- *No updates. Anna to contact BLM for BLM funds update, will review NDA grant proposal with Melany (DCNR) in meantime.*

VI. REPORTS TO THE DISTRICT

A. Correspondences

- *None*

B. Agency and Partner Updates

- *NDOW (Jeremy): cooperative farming lease on Licking Ranch closed October 10th, lease good until 2027. Asked if several NDOW bills can be rerouted through LCCD with NDOW funds agreement. Anna to find agreement and check.*

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VII. OPEN BUSINESS

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- A. Presentation by Jeremy Lutz of NDOW on Gilbert Creek Property Development- FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
- *Jeremy (NDOW) and Bert (LC) discussed the Gilbert Creek property purchase, a 477 acre property in the Shoshone Mountains, northwest of Austin, NV. It was purchased by LC for \$191,000.00 and to be used as showcase for how county can manage inflated wild horse population through horse gathers, fencing, and other resources.*
- B. Presentation by Bobby Jones of NDOW on Tourism and Natural Resources - FOR POSSIBLE ACTION
- *Bobby (NDOW) gave presentation on NV tourism and outdoor activities that bring in revenue to the state. A copy of the presentation materials can be requested from LCCD secretary at nvlccd@outlook.com or (775) 455-2731.*

AGENDA TAKEN OUT OF ORDER. PROCEED TO ITEMS IV - VI

VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- *Bert (LC): next LC commissioners meeting to address letter of protest of AUM cancellations on Badger Ranch. Asked if **LCCD would like to put together letter in support of ranchers for next commissioners meeting.** Anna to get county letter and email to board members. Bert brought up own ethics violation complaint, **county to provide ethics training if LCCD interested in attending.** Told board that proper disclosure needed when projects are affiliated with board members and employees, their family and/or friends and said board member/employee directly benefits from project.*
- *Suzann (LCCD): **LCCD to possibly sponsor poster contest for Crescent Valley Elementary School students.** To talk to Melany about it.*

IX. ADJOURNMENT- FOR POSSIBLE ACTION

- *Motion to adjourn Suzann, 2nd Dennis. None opposed.*
- *Meeting adjourned at 7:27pm*