

**Homer Soil and Water Conservation District Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes:** November 13th, 2019, 5:00 PM

<b>Topic</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>
Roll Call	Present: Chris, Jim, Kyra, Tim, Devony, Gena, Otto, Pam	Start 5:25pm
Approval of Agenda	unanimous	
Approval of Minutes	Motion to approve by Tim second by Jim	
NRCS Report	<p><u>Outreach</u> – Dorian Perez is offering a brief presentation tomorrow, Nov 12, at the library at 12pm and again at 5:30pm. The title is “What Ever Happened to the High Tunnel Folks? Using NRCS Technical and Financial Assistance to Support Your Farming Operation”. He plans to present for 20 minutes then use the remaining 40 minutes for questions and discussion.</p> <p><u>Snow Survey</u> – Karin has begun scheduling site visits and checked with Brad on his availability for the first outings (end of November/early December). Either Dorian or Sean are scheduled to go with him.</p> <p><u>Imagery Request</u> – Project is moving forward but is constrained, in part, by the need for the continuing resolution (expires Nov 21) to be extended (expires Nov 21) or a budget passed.</p>	
Visitors	Devony Lehner sent in a SARE grant for Fox River Cattlemen	
Financial Report	passed	
<b>Manager’s Report:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Land Use:</li> <li>• Water Quality</li> <li>• Agriculture/ Soil</li> <li>• Invasive Weeds</li> <li>• Education</li> <li>• Administration</li> </ul>	<p><b>Fox River Flats Trail:</b> Work completed for ADF&amp;G. Applying to extend permit for bridge maintenance. Devony working on the CRMP and with the Cattlemen to try for a SARE grant for GPSing the cattle to track movement on the Flats.</p> <p><b>Watermelon Trail:</b> Met with Snomads and Sarah Vance to discuss possible actions to get work done on the trail amidst the feuding between agencies</p> <p><b>KBNERR:</b> Continuing work on finalizing the Management Plan. HSWCD asked to possibly apply for a grant with KBNERR on future groundwater studies</p> <p><b>Food surveys: Complete!!! Both are up on the website. Please check them out.</b></p> <p><b>Soil Health:</b> as Brad puts together final reports for the end of this NRCS trial, we are discussing what we would like to do with it in the future since we have more funding to continue.</p> <p><b>BLM/NRCS Soil Survey funding:</b> Since Eric Geisler is retiring, the format in which BLM hires field staff may change, so Brad is working on collecting resumes of the people we can offer BLM as our team.</p> <p><b>CWMA:</b> Katherine attended the statewide AKISP conference in Fairbanks, learned of new possible money for her position through USFWS. She may move up to full time. Maybe even insurance benefits</p> <p><b>Ag in the Classroom:</b> Looking to be more active in the schools next spring.</p> <p><b>New office space agreement:</b> Still nothing new.</p>	
Rhodiola	Jason from the coop invited but couldn’t be there	
Lime	Motion to get a test on the limestone from Fairbanks by Otto, Jim second	Get test done
Elections	Turned in nominations for Jim and Chris, no others known	
KBNERR collab	Motion to move forward on applying for the collaborative grant: Otto motioned, Tim seconded, All in	Follow up
NACD dues	Motion for \$200 to be spent on dues	
	adjourn	8:26

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