

NNSG Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes  
Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2009, 5:15- 7:15 p.m.  
Agricultural Service Center- 555 West Silver Street Suite 101, Elko, Nevada

**Present:** Gerry Miller, Doug Clarke, Leta Collord, Jack Prier, Delynn Jones, Teven Perkins, Simone Zaga, Angel Nicholson, Tracy Shane, & Ryan Shane

**Absent:** Kent McAdoo, Larry Hyslop, & Mary Winters      **Guests:** Pat Coffin, Rich Weber, Sue Kennedy

1. Welcome and introductions / determination of quorum:  
Gerry welcomed everyone. It was determined that a quorum to conduct business was present.
2. Public Comment / short general discussion period.  
There is a rattlesnake training for dogs coming up.
3. Pod Chairs Reports: Fire, Heritage, Recreation, Sage Grouse, Science  
Ryan reported for the Fire Pod that Nevada Division of Forestry completed a 100 acre wetland site burn this spring in Northeast Elko County. The prescribed burn process takes about a year in advance to obtain the right permissions and permits. Prescribed burns on public lands may take as many as two to three years depending on the level of NEPA required. NNSG is going to reapply for the cheatgrass burn near the Nevada Division of Wildlife headquarters.  
The NNSG Sage Grouse Pod and BLM are hosted a Texas BBQ and Comprehensive Wind Energy Impact Research Presentation and Nevada Research Proposal at the Northeastern Nevada Museum. There were no reports from the Heritage Pod, Recreation Pod, or Science Pod.
4. Soil and Water Enhancement Action Team Report  
Doug reported the BLM is having a tree-planting on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and will email out an announcement. There were 300 2-3 year old aspen trees and 25 big aspen trees planted along Sherman Creek north of Osino by 30-40 volunteers on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Bill Roach cooked a great dutch oven lunch. June 6<sup>th</sup> is National Trails Day at Soldier Canyon.
5. Executive Directors Report  
Teven completed the April Board of Director's meeting minutes. She filed in the office and sent out several emails to our mailing list for informational purposes and different meetings.
6. Review and approval of minutes of the April 9<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting  
The MOTION was made by Angel to accept the minutes as read; seconded by Simone. Motion Carried.
7. Introduction to NNSG Hay Contract responsibilities with the BLM  
Pat Coffin gave an overview of the Hay Contracts and the responsibilities of NNSG. Mr. Seimens would like to renew his contract for five more years.
8. Status of Question 1 grant - Tuscarora Watershed/PMU Assessment  
The grant is not yet closed out, there are still some missing approvals/signatures, but it is very close. There is a meeting at the Taylor Canyon Resort on June 24, 2009 to plan some work projects.
9. Question 1 Grant: "North Fork Watershed" Funding Agreement  
The Funding Agreement is waiting for approval from the Elko County District Agreement. A committee of five would be a good number for contractor selection.
10. Treasurer's Report: Discussion and Approval  
There is \$44,117.75 dollars in the bank and operating funds make up \$4,324.86 of that total. The signers for the bank are Marcia Scott, Delynn Jones, Leta Collord, Kent McAdoo, Kristi Tomera, and Teven Perkins, while Gerry Miller and Gary Back were removed from the signature card. Simone made the MOTION to accept the Treasurer's Report, seconded by Leta. Motion Carried.
11. Status of and Discussion of our membership drive  
There is no new report.
12. Two-Year Work Plan  
Simone made the motion to accept the 2009-10 two year work plans, seconded by Leta. Motion Carried.
13. 2009 Annual Meeting wrap up, and review & accounting of the mtg.  
Leta is going to order two dozen more 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary NNSG hats for appreciation. The Thank You notes have been sent out.

14. NFF CAP report to the National Forest Foundation - Teven  
The final report was submitted in February. The report looks good, but the National Forest Foundation is waiting for the remaining \$78 to close out the grant. Teven will send that tomorrow.
15. Grant Applications: NFF Matching Awards Program along with the Jiggs, Lamoille and Starr Conservation Districts for Biological Control of leafy spurge and thistle. (Need to Coordinate with partners)  
Teven sent in a request for funds and we should be received our monies in the next two weeks. NNSg has already sent in their \$4500 match. Teven will be attended the Lamoille Conservation District Meeting on June 15<sup>th</sup> to coordinate their desired locations.
16. Discussion to donate \$150.00 for National Trails Day Activities  
Leta made the MOTION to donate \$150 for food for the National Trails Day on June 6<sup>th</sup>, seconded by Angel. Motion Carried.
17. Lamoille to Secret Trail activities and discussion of current status  
Sue Kennedy gave an overview of the schedule of work for the Trail and handed out a Summary of the Project along with the Business Plan. The goal is to open the trail on National Public Lands Day in September 2010.
18. Discussion of Energy Workshop  
The Nevada Humanities Commission approved the Western Folklife Center & Great Basin College's grant submittal. The proposed timeframe for the Energy Workshop is September or October. We need to help organize a planning group to discuss topics, speakers, and presentations.
19. Creeks and Communities PFC Workshop June 1<sup>st</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup>  
There were 24 people who attended the Creeks and Communities PFC Workshop.
20. Discussion of "Future Industrial Needs" Presentation  
The FIND Presentation at the Northeastern Nevada Museum on May 28<sup>th</sup> offered an overview of a valuable tool for the county and economic commissions. We need to generate more awareness and interest in the community.
21. Discussion about writing a letter of support for cloud seeding program  
The timeframe for the needs of this letter has passed.
22. Nomination/appointment of Board Members.  
Simone made the motion to nominate Jack Prier to the Board of Directors, seconded by Angel. Motion passed. Leta nominated Rich Weber to the Board of Directors, seconded by Jack. Motion was TABLED until next board meeting.
23. Approval of Bills accrued by the corporation since the last meeting.  
The bills for this month are for the Executive Director's salary of \$500, \$25 to Brandy Killion for website maintenance, and \$40 to the Northeastern Nevada Museum for the FIND meeting. We are also sending \$78 to the National Forest Foundation to close out the CAP grant. Simone made the motion to pay the bills as reported, seconded by Angel. Motion Carried.
24. Next meeting  
The next meeting will be Wednesday, **July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009** at 5:15pm at the USDA Service Center.
25. Adjourn  
Jack made the MOTION to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Simone. Motion Carried.