**Regular Meeting**

**Tuesday, September 3rd - 6 p.m.**

**Homestead Inn – Hardin, MT**

1. **Call to Order:** The Big Horn Conservation District meeting was called to order by Chairman Roy Neal at 6:05 p.m. at the Homestead Inn in Hardin, Montana. Other supervisors present was Vice Chairman Steve Schanaman, and supervisors Phillip Miller, Kent Murdock, Jerry Lunde, Austin Pitsch and associate Bill Hodges. Also present was NRCS representative Seanna Torkse, Hardin Extension agent Andrea Barry, Two Leggins representatives Brett Nedens, Richard Benzel and Tim Weber, Fish, Wildlife and Parks representatives Tom Wolfe and Paul Bramblett, and BHCD admin Kylie Martin.
2. **Public Comment:** As there was no response to call for public comment, the chairman proceeded with the meeting.
3. **Approval of Minutes:**  Jerry Lunde motioned to approve the minutes as mailed/emailed. The motion was seconded by Phillip Miller; as there was no opposition or discussion, the motion carried.
4. **Officers’ Report:**
   1. Treasurer
      1. Dan Lowe was not present, therefore Kylie Martin presented the QuickBooks’s reconciliations for the three separate bank accounts. Jerry Lunde motioned to approve the presented reports. The motion was seconded by Austin Pitsch; as there was no opposition or discussion, the motion carried.
5. **Board and committee reports:**
   1. Conservation District Bureau *– included in packet*
6. **New Business:**
   1. **Two Leggins (In person)**
      1. There was discussion regarding Acre per ft vs. CFS, and the impact more pivots would have on the DNRC water. An outside entity is wanting to add pivots on the Two Leggins Canal, but the concern is providing that water without hindering downstream. There was discussion about the benefits of a reservoir to aide in channeling the wanted pivots.
   2. Area IV Meeting: October 3rd in Stillwater
   3. October Board Meeting**:** Friday 4th
   4. MACD Convention: November 19th – 21st
      1. Steve Schanaman, Phillip Miller and Roy Neal would like registered
   5. Field Report – *Seanna Torske presented to the board*
      1. Steve Schanaman motioned to approve the CRP’s as presented. The motion was seconded by Phillip Miller: as there was no opposition or discussion, the motion carried.
7. **Old Business:**
   1. **AIS Update – Thomas Wolfe (In person)**
      1. Tom Wolfe, Bureau chief, and Paul Bramblett, area representative, attended the board meeting in person. Discussion included contracts for the 2025 season, and whether they will continue the St. Xavier station because it has the lowest risk factor in the state. The Hardin construction is scheduled to be completed April 2025. Also discussed were the attempts at getting South Dakota more on board with the program.
      2. Inspection numbers *– presented by Paul Bramblett*
      3. Site Lead – raise wage
         1. Austin Pitsch motioned to raise the Site Lead pay wage from $1 to $1.50 for the 2025 season. The motion was seconded by Steve Schanaman: as there was no opposition or discussion, the motion carried.
8. **Other Business:** 
   1. An anonymous donor added $500 to the 4H Fair prize fund. Steve Schanaman motioned to approve the prize be lifted to $500 first place and $300 for the second place. Phillip Miller seconded the motion; as there was no opposition or discussion, the motion carried.
9. **Public Comment: As there was no other business, the meeting was adjourned by Chairman Roy Neal at 7:50 p.m.**