



Habitat Partnership Program Meeting Minutes
Middle Park HPP Committee
June 9, 2021
1:00 pm

Members Present: Jeromy Huntington (CPW), Chuck Alexander, Conway Farrell. Dave Hammer gave his proxy vote to Jeromy. Doug Bruchez gave his approval to Conway for the projects.

Guests: Katlin Miller, Marian Cole, Jeff Behncke, Greg Hartssock

Budget Report: Budget information was presented. Final FY21 figures are not yet available but the committee will be returning money to HPP. The committee was concerned about returning money until it was pointed out that Pat Tucker had given them an extra \$20,000 for the fence vouchers since they were concerned about fire impacts.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of March 2, 2021 and March 10, 2021 were approved.

Old Business: None

New Business:

USFS – Sulphur Ranger District presented results from 2020 weed control project. As in the past, they received \$7000 from the Rocky Mtn Elk Foundation for the project and they were asking HPP for \$7000 and the FS would supply the herbicide. Cade Pickering would do the backcountry spraying as he has done in the past. **The project was approved for \$7000 as a FY 22 project.**

Hansen Water Tank – A request for a water development project involving using an existing spring and 2 tanks was submitted. HPP was asked for \$5000 and the landowner would buy the rest of the materials and do the installation. It was noted that the project is on SLB property and the applicant had not talked to the SLB about the project. The committee asked the applicant to contact SLB for participation in a project that was improving SLB property.

Conway Farrell abstained from the committee decision due to family connections to the project.

The committee approved the project for \$5000 with the understanding that the HPP contribution would be reduced by whatever amount the SLB was able to contribute. This was also a FY 22 project.

Herbicide Vouchers – Amy Sidener contacted the committee about a problem she was having w/a couple vouchers and thought the committee might need to reapprove some vouchers. After talking with Pat Tucker, the situation was handled and no further committee action was needed.

Future Agenda Items:

- Hunt Coordinator situation – who will do it, what do we want them to do, etc.
- Fence Vouchers – how to make better use out of limited vouchers, no shows, etc.
- Meeting schedule adjustment to allow for last minute projects – future dates and time change
- Aspen Canyon fence project between adjacent landowners

The next meeting is scheduled for 1pm on September 8, 2021 at the BLM Field office in Kremmling.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:40 pm.