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Working Together for Healthy Landscapes and Quality Lifestyles

NNSG board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, March 12th, 2025 at 5:30 pm

Elko Interagency Dispatch Center

725 Aspen Way, Elko, NV 89801

1. Determination of quorum called to order at 5:35
 - a. Board present: Dave Voth, Gail Ross, Larry Hyslop, Andrew Church, Paul Meiman, Gerry Miller, Mark Latin, Doug Clarke, Leslie Creel
 - b. Members present: Bill Wells (USFS), Greg Ritson
2. No public comment
3. February 12th minutes approved.
4. Bill Wells of the USFS reported that GBI will be pitching for an RTP grant for trail work/fencing this year.
5. Nick might not be able to fulfill the duty of Treasurer next year, so asking for people to think of volunteering for the position.
6. No contribution requests or partner support.
7. Annual Meeting in April
 - a. 17th of April, doors open at 5:30, food at 6:00, presentation at 7:00
 - b. Doug suggested Meghan Collins present on climate change
 - c. RSVP's 5 day in advance
 - d. Officer nominations and term extension
 - e. Non-profit paperwork with officer updates due to the state by May 15th
 - f. background music
 - i. Nick might be able to bring in speakers
 - g. perhaps slideshow in background
 - h. Pot Luck style
 - i. Gerry - salad, bread, will go to conex and check for silverware
 - ii. Dave - Entre
 - iii. Lary - Casserole
 - iv. Paul - Main dish , casserole
 - v. Leslie - Ribs, plates, and silverware
 - vi. Andrew - side
8. Group and partner updates
 - a. Sage Grouse Local Area Working Group -no update
 - b. Rangeland monitoring workshop - Paul visited with Teddy - no bar
 - c. Grass and forbs ID workshop - on May 29th, 9:00 to 3:00

- i. Doug is the lead. Certified Rangeland Specialists (SRM). Paul is participating - 2 or 3 presenters, Bill, Gerry
 - ii. Location - outside TBD - Blue Basin, Heguy's allotment
 - iii. Flyer - Leslie
 - d. Microbiome working group - Wallipini greenhouse tour on the 3rd. They also want to show "Need to Grow" about growing sustainably.
 - i. They want to do another event Compost Awareness week, perhaps partnering with Elko Garden club or some such group
 - e. Friends of the Rubies events -
 - i. 150 people were at the CTIC for Junior Ranger Day on March 8th. Friends of the Rubies had a Hiking Trails booth there.
 - ii. Planning for Cool Canyon Evenings fireside chats. One is planned. Jan Peterson and Judy Myers are going to do the history of the hydroelectric powerhouse. Judy lived there.
 - iii. Upcoming ideas: Will probably do a Plant ID with Room to Grow, a local homeschooling group. Create a trail that skirts Camp Lamoille - there are 1 or 2 options that would work (get NYTC to do the trail work).
 - f. Elko Trail Systems Initiative - NEPA continues for LSTS. Curtis Moore will be putting out the RFP for the Humboldt-Rubies Feasibility study soon. FHWA has the scoping study for Lamoille Summit on their radar. The group asked if we could get someone from BLM to come and give an update on LSTS. Paul Meiman says that the BLM has to have a line officer give updates to NGOs. People are most interested if NEPA will be done.
 - g. Dark skies
- 9. Mary Winter book sales
 - a. 35 left to sell
 - b. Paul will buy 10 more
 - c. Paul will take over storage from Gail
- 10. Board Member Updates
 - a. 2025 Weed Extravaganza, Thursday, April 3rd, 8:30-5:00 pm at Elko Convention Center. RSVP to Andi Porreca by March 28th
 - b. [Volunteer Fair](#) Booth, Thursday, May 8th, 5-7 pm. ETSI has signed up.
 - c. Nevada Wild Art Exhibit continues at California Trail Interpretive Center through April 30
 - d. Curtis Moore, Elko County Natural Resources Director, is seeking individuals for a county Weed and Pest board
 - e. Gail will be in Buenos Aires for the next 3 years with a division of the world bank, the IFC, the part that loans funds to private business.
 - f. Society for Range Management president elect is Bill Wells
 - g. Cleanup - Greenup on the 26th, sign up with the city, Chimney Creek Road
- 11. Public comment - none
- 12. Next meeting
 - a. Wednesday, April 9th, 5:30 pm, Dispatch
- 13. Adjourn at 6:42

Each item is considered as a possible "Action Item". Consensus is what we strive for in all of our decisions.