

**Wyoming Wildlife and Natural Resource Trust**  
**MEETING MINUTES**  
**June 20, 2017**  
**Wind River Range Conference Room, Hampton Inn & Suites**  
**Pinedale, WY**

**Executive Session:** 8:00 AM

**Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM by Chairman Kim Floyd. Board members present: Ken Banister, Jacelyn Downey, Pidge Fulton, Christi Haswell, Mike Massie, Steve Meadows, Don Schramm and Esther Wagner. Also in attendance were Executive Director Bob Budd and Grants Manager Robin Haynes.

**Absent:** None

**Attendance:**

Mark Gordon, Wyoming State Treasurer  
Wyoming Game and Fish Department – Ian Tator, Paul Dey, Phil Damm, Jill Randall  
Jackson Hole Land Trust – Butch Parks, Mindi Crabb  
The Nature Conservancy – Jim Luchsinger  
Sublette County Conservation District – Michael Henn  
Trout Unlimited – Nick Walrath

**Minutes:** Floyd asked the board to review the minutes from the April 11, 2017 board meeting.

**Massie moved, Schramm seconded the motion to approve the minutes of April 11, 2017. Motion carried unanimously.**

**Financial Report:** Budd provided an update of the WWNRT financial status.

**Project Status Reports:** Budd stated that we continue to remain current on projects and payments. Discussion followed.

**Mark Gordon, Wyoming State Treasurer:** Gordon provided information on funding, the new program in relationship with Amendment A, and a memorial kiosk for Delaine Roberts. He provided a portfolio update. Discussion followed.

**WWNRT Public Awareness Campaign Video:** Budd updated the board on the status of the project. He anticipates that a preview of the video will be ready for the August meeting.

**Project Funding Allocation:**

Floyd asked the board and guests to review the project list.

03-17-002 Long Creek Aspen Request \$68,580  
Schramm, Budd – recommended full funding

03-17-008	Nelson Diversion Schramm, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$13,000
03-17-010	7E Little Medicine Floyd, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$8,400
03-17-027	LaBarge Fence Modification Meadows, Budd – WWNRT asked WGFD to expand project. Amended grant amount requested due to expansion - \$150,000. Meadows recommended full funding at amended amount of \$150,000	Request \$33,000
03-17-009	Beaver Creek Riparian Schramm, Budd – recommended funding at \$15,000	Request \$30,000
03-17-012	Upper Gros Ventre Tributaries Meadows, Budd – recommended funding at \$150,000	Request \$165,000
03-17-018	Coco Belle Fence Meadows, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$21,000
03-17-020	Powder River Invasives Downey, Haswell, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$60,000
03-17-024	Soda Lake Vegetation Meadows, Budd – WWNRT asked WGFD to expand project. Amended grant amount requested due to expansion - \$100,000. Meadows recommended full funding at amended amount of \$100,000.	Request \$18,000
03-17-025	Lynch Lake Conversion Meadows, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$10,000
03-17-017	Cabin Creek Conifers Floyd, Fulton – recommended full funding	Request \$100,000
03-17-022	Alkali Creek Culvert Schramm, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$105,000
03-17-023	Cliff Creek Meadows, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$22,500
03-17-030	Hoback Rim Fence Meadows, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$119,500
03-17-042	Miller 67 Wetlands Meadows, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$40,000

03-17-001	Rock River Invasives II Floyd, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$30,000
03-17-003	Prospect Creek Fence Floyd, Fulton – recommended full funding	Request \$17,500
03-17-011	LaBarge Creek Culverts Meadows, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$198,000
03-17-019	Little Red Creek Juniper II Banister, Wagner – recommended full funding	Request \$125,000
03-17-031	Sheep Mountain Fence Floyd, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$127,500
03-17-033	Ferris Mountain Rx II Wagner, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$90,000
03-17-035	Wind River Rookery CE Schramm, Budd – amended request for \$80,000, recommended funding at \$80,000.00	Request \$120,000
03-17-036	Willow Lake CE Meadows, Budd – recommended funding at \$150,000	Request \$161,334
03-17-006	Upper Tongue River II Downey, Haswell, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$100,000
03-17-037	MJ Ranch Zembo CE Meadows, Budd – recommended funding at \$140,000	Request \$156,600
03-17-040	Bousman CE Meadows, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$450,000
03-17-004	Jackson Hole Cheatgrass Meadows, Budd – recommended funding at \$5,000	Request \$8,000
03-17-021	North Laramie Aspen Banister, Wagner – recommended full funding	Request \$62,000
03-17-034	Bow Fiddle Riparian Floyd, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$126,525
03-17-041	Bowden Arnold CE Floyd, Budd – recommends full funding	Request \$150,000

03-17-007	Rawlins Pond Wagner, Budd – recommended funding at \$180,000	Request \$187,536
03-17-028	Natrona Big Sagebrush Banister, Wagner – recommended full funding	Request \$55,000
03-17-029	Ford Ranch Riparian Schramm, Budd - recommended funding at \$10,000	Request \$30,000
03-17-026	Steamboat Aspen Downey, Haswell, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$78,000
03-17-038	Cuin Ranch CE Floyd, Budd – recommended this project be deferred	Request \$100,000
03-17-039	Condict CE Floyd, Budd - Deferred	Request \$1,875,000
03-17-005	Wood River Riparian Floyd, Fulton – recommended full funding	Request \$65,000
03-17-014	Mill Creek H2O Schramm, Budd – recommended this project be deferred	Request \$59,078
03-17-015	Cokeville Tri-Diversion Schramm, Budd – recommended full funding	Request \$91,010
03-17-016	Mill Creek Sagebrush Schramm, Budd – recommended funding at \$20,000	Request \$30,150
03-17-013	Little Mountain Aspen Schramm, Budd – recommended funding at \$36,000	Request \$66,000
03-17-032	Cottonwood Ranch Fence Meadows, Budd - Deferred	Request \$239,637

Consent List – **Massie moved, Banister seconded the motion to fund projects on the consent list at the recommended level. Massie recommended that 03-17-026 – Steamboat Aspen, and 03-17-005 – Wood River Riparian be pulled from the consent list. Motion carried.**

Floyd asked for changes.

Floyd requested his vote be changed to no on projects 03-17 024 – Soda Lake Vegetation and 03-14-029 – Ford Ranch Riparian. Meadows requested his vote be changed to no on project 03-17-035 – Wind River Rookery CE.

### 03-17-026 – Steamboat Aspen

Massie moved, Banister seconded to defer 03-17-026 - Steamboat Aspen. Discussion followed. Motion to defer failed 7 – 2 with Banister and Schramm voting yes.

Meadows moved, Haswell seconded to fund Steamboat Aspen 03-17-026 at \$78,000 with the caveat that WGFD provide the information to Budd prior to funding. Haynes called the roll. Motion to fund passed 7 – 2 with Banister and Massie voting no.

### 03-17-005 – Wood River Riparian

Massie moved, Meadows seconded to defer Wood River Riparian - 03-17-005. Haynes called the roll. Motion to defer passed 9 - 0.

### 03-17-013 – Little Mountain Aspen

Schramm moved to fund Little Mountain Aspen – 03-17-013, as recommended at \$36,000. Wagner seconded. Haynes called the roll. Motion to fund at \$36,000 passed 9 - 0.

At this time, Budd discussed options for the August meeting, and proposed site visits in Baggs and Saratoga. It was determined that board members and partners would meet in Baggs about 12:30 PM to start the tour, and then tour the Saratoga area and end in Saratoga for the Board meeting, which will be held the evening of August 14 at Saratoga Hot Springs and Resort. Specific tour details will follow at a later date.

**Public Comment:** Ian Tator thanked the board for all of the support and presented the board with the strategic Paul Dey informed the board that they have wrapped up the water strategy board aquatic habitat with story map and projects. Floyd thanked the partners for attending.

**Old Business:** None at this time

**New Business:** None at this time

**Next Meeting:** August 14 & 15, 2017  
Baggs and Saratoga area projects tour  
Accommodations at Saratoga Hot Springs Resort

**Adjournment:** Chairman Floyd adjourned the meeting at 1:53 PM. At this time, the board moved to executive session.

**Executive Session:** 1:55 PM