

Montana State Hail Board
March 26, 2019
Yogo Inn, Lewistown, Montana

The meeting was called to order at 9:41am by Chairman Gary Gollehon

Introductions – Those in attendance were:

Gary Gollehon – Board Chair, Brady
Judy Tureck – Board member, Coffee Creek
Jim Schillinger – Board member, Circle
Ben Thomas – Director, Montana Department of Agriculture
Matt Rosendale – Commissioner of Securities & Insurance
Walt Anseth – Montana Department of Agriculture
Dani Jones – Montana Department of Agriculture

Public Comment:

Chair Gary Gollehon called for public comment and there was none.

Minutes:

Minutes were presented from the November 28, 2018 meeting. Jim Schillinger motioned to accept the minutes as presented, Matt Rosendale 2nd the motion, motion passed.

Financials:

Financials were presented by Walt Anseth. Matt Rosendale motioned to approve the financials as presented, Ben Thomas 2nd the motion, motion passed.

Old Business:

Premium rate review – Walt Anseth presented the Montana State Hail Insurance Program Rates from 2018. Matt Rosendale motioned to carry the 2018 rates for the 2019 season; no changes being made to any rates. Jim Schillinger 2nd the motion, motion passed.

Reinsurance – Walt Anseth reported that he has been working with the reinsurance company for the proposed 80/20 split for 2019. 2018 it was 85/15 split. Walt should have the contract completed by the middle of April. Jim Schillinger moved to work towards the 80/20 split with the reinsurance company, Matt Rosendale 2nd the motion, motion passed.

New Business:

Department Update – Ben Thomas gave an update on the 2019 Legislative session, information regarding the impact of Agriculture to Montana's economy, and the upcoming Hemp Advisory Committee Meeting.

Outreach – Walt Anseth discussed the “mobile application” that was complete by IT in the department. Office test runs are going well, just checking the calculations. Farmers will be able to complete the Hail Applications on their phone, complete with an electronic signature.

Walt Anseth suggested that a trip to different towns in Montana is not needed for the 2019 year since there are no rate changes. Jim Schillinger suggested to maybe an occasional trip, will revisit next year.

Walt Anseth will send an email to the Hail Board Members around July to update the members on the hail season.

Additional Hail Office staff- only one position is needed, should be filled by the first part of May.

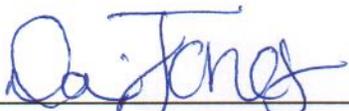
Opening Board Positions – It was asked of Jim Schillinger if he wanted to serve another term on the Hail Board. He completed the application at the meeting. (submitted by Dani Jones)

Public Comment:

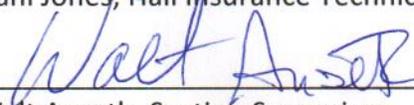
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Adjourn:

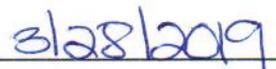
Judy Tureck moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:10 pm. Matt Rosendale 2nd the motion, motion passed.



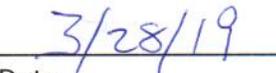
Dani Jones, Hail Insurance Technician



Walt Anseth, Section Supervisor



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