



**Crook County Natural Resource District (CCNRD)
May 12th, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
12:00 pm Sundance USDA Service Center**

Attendance: CCNRD Board of Supervisors: Wayne Garman, Lily Altaffer, Casey Devish.
CCNRD Employees: Sarah Anderson, Justice Miller, Quintin Peterson. CCNRD Guest: Keela Deaton

The May 12th, 2026 Board meeting was called to order by Wayne Garman at 12:15 pm.

Guest Updates: NRCS District Conservationist Keela Deaton presented two Conservation Plans for the Board to review. 17 applications total and 12-applications will go through the Regenerative Pilot Program; 5 or 6 applications will move to the second batching date; she stated that the NRCS non-competitive agreement training should be happening soon and Conservation Districts are encouraged to attend.

Staff Updates: Staff updated the Board the hazardous fuels reduction projects and will inspect two project sites next week. She stated she is working on a forest health improvement proposal that is due May 15th.

Justice Miller updated the Board on 3 WDA grants he wrote this month; two Rangeland Health Improvement Program proposals and one Water Quality Health Improvement proposal, totalling \$50,000.00. He finished the WDEQ 319 Project Implementation Plan and submitted it for approval. Justice hosted a CCNRD table at the Old West Invitational Turkey Shoot banquet and provided OWITS-RHIP applications to landowners. He will also be working with NRCS on grazing plans for the NRCS Collaborative Cooperative grant. Quintin Peterson and Justice will deploy level loggers next week and put together MIM devices.

It is Quintin Peterson's first day at the CCNRD; he provided an update to the Board relating to the WWNRT tour he will be attending on Wednesday. He will be going to Rapid City on Thursday to get his LincPass card.

Staff provided updates related to the Crook County Commissioner's meeting; the BHNF Forest Plan Revision cooperating agency meetings; rare earth mining information; and the Bridger Pipeline expansion project.

Financials: The Board reviewed financial documents for April. **Lily Altaffer made a motion to pay the bills; seconded by Casey Devish. No discussion. Motion carried.**

Casey Devish made a motion for Sarah Anderson to transfer \$21,162.00 from account 13398 to account 80511 to pay Crestwood Nursery for the 2026 tree orders; seconded by Lily Altaffer seconded. No discussion. Motion carried.



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Lily Altaffer made a motion for Sarah Anderson to transfer \$420.00 from account 50551 to account 13398 for escape ramp sales; Casey Devish seconded. No discussion. Motion carried.

Minutes: The Board reviewed Minutes from the April meeting. Casey Devish made a motion to approve the April 2026 Minutes; seconded by Lily Altaffer seconded. No discussion. Motion carried.

New Business: Lily Altaffer made a motion to approve the proposed 2026-2027 budget as presented; Casey Devish seconded. No discussion. Motion carried.

The Board reviewed and discussed the Procurement Policy. Casey Devish made a motion to approve an amendment to the 2018 Procurement Policy that states "Exemption: The Board of Supervisors reserves the right to approve purchases at public auction sites." and "The Board of Supervisors reserves the right to refuse all bids."; seconded by Lily Altaffer. No discussion. Motion carried.

Old Business: The Board discussed trading the Tahoe/Explorer/enclosed trailer for a truck and/or trailer. They discussed auction opportunities versus selling outright. Casey Devish made a motion to approve the purchase of a 4-door truck, with a bed size no less than 6.5-feet, ¾ ton or larger, 2016 or newer, 4wd or AWD, with mileage less than 200,000, with a maximum purchase amount of \$15,000.00; seconded by Lily Altaffer seconded. No discussion. Motion carried. Lily Altaffer made a motion to approve the purchase of a trailer greater than 16-feet, with a minimum of 7,000-pound tandem axles, with a maximum purchase amount of \$7,000.00; Casey Devish seconded. No discussion. Motion carried.

Casey Devish made a motion to approve the sale of the 2007 Chevy Tahoe and the 2005 Ford Explorer; Lily Altaffer seconded. No discussion. Motion carried.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for June 9th.

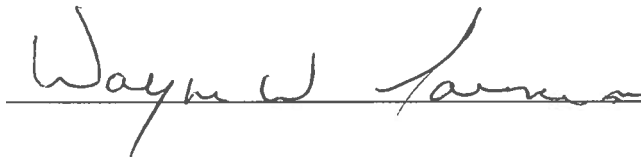
Adjournment: Casey Devish made a motion to adjourn the Board meeting at 2:35 pm; seconded by Lily Altaffer; seconded. Motion carried.

Minutes Submitted by Sarah Anderson (Signature):



Date: 06.09.2026

Chairman Signature:



Date: 6/9/2026