

Minutes
Gem Soil & Water Conservation District
1857 Hwy 16, Ste B., Emmett, Idaho
July 6, 2026

IN ATTENDANCE:

Kirk Vickery, Chairman; Maggie Sisler, Vice Chairman; Jamie McCann, Treasurer; Zeke Ortiz, Associate; Leanne Buck, District Manager

NOT ABLE TO ATTEND: Clayton Ayers, Supervisor; Meghan Brooksher, ISWCC; Cliff Fivecoat, Secretary

GUESTS:

PARTNERS: Tyler Ernst, NRCS/Pheasants Forever

MEETING: Kirk called the regular session of the Gem SWCD board meeting to order at 12:06pm. The meeting was held at 1857 Hwy 16, Ste B., Emmett, Idaho.

MINUTES:

Jamie made a motion to dispense with the reading of the minutes for June 1, 2026, and approve as written. Cliff seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

TREASURER/FINANCIAL REPORT:

Jamie read Treasurer's Report for June 30, 2026. Jamie made a motion to accept Treasurer's Report and to pay the bills. Cliff seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Treasurer's Report:	<u>June 30, 2026</u>
Beginning Balance:	\$ 13,036.17
Debits	\$ 0.00
Credits	<u>\$ 3,225.31</u>
Ending Balance	\$ 9,810.86

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

The board reviewed the district's new website and was overall pleased with it.
No update available for the Conflict-of-Interest Policy. Board discussed Fall Tour and scheduled it for September 17th from 9AM-1PM.

NEW BUSINESS/DISTRICT OPERATIONS:

Board reviewed newsletter. Jamie made a motion to approve newsletter for printing. Maggie seconded the motion and the motion passed. Board reviewed FY27 Budget and FY26 Profit and Loss. Jamie made a motion to approve FY27 budget and FY26 Profit and Loss. Board discussed the Silver Leaf II project which received two funding sources and discussed making a policy for projects in that scenario. Jamie made a motion to sponsor the Silver Leaf II pivot that was not funded through NRCS and made a district policy stating: District will sponsor one funding source or up to 60% cost share. Maggie seconded the motion and the motion passed.

OTHER BUSINESS: Board discussed the OTECO Pivot Track Filler and discussed items to include on the rental guide.

COMMISSION REPORT:

Meghan not in attendance- Leanne talked briefly about ISWCC MOU.

NRCS ACTIVITY REPORT:

Erin Brooks not in attendance- but told Leanne NRCS is currently wrapping up contracting.

STAFF REPORT:

Leanne's report: Worked on daily office duties. Worked on newsletter, budget, reporting financials to SCO, and attended IDEA meeting May 23-24.

PLANNING & ZONING:

Discussed Windswept Shire Minor Subdivision—no resource concerns.

DISTRICT DRILL:

None

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Fall Tour September 17, 2026, 9AM at 1857 Hwy 16., Emmett, Idaho.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further comments, Jamie made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cliff seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 2:15PM.

Next meeting is August 3, 2026, at 12:00pm at 1857 Hwy 16, Ste B.