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Coos Soil and Water Conservation District
Regular Meeting Minutes
(Meeting held at Sturdivant Park)
August 26, 2026
(Approved September 23, 2026)

Regular Meeting was called to order at 5:39PM
Board members present at meeting: Mark Villers, Ernie Newton, Adela Villers, Jonathan Morse, Cindy Gant
Board members present on Zoom/Telephone:
Absent board members:
Staff present in meeting: Caley Sowers, Modena Thomas
Staff present on Zoom:
Guests present in meeting: Eric Nusbaum (ODA), Justin Queen (CoqWA), Chris Claire (ODFW), Katie Woodruff (NRCS), Sydney Paoli (Curry SWCD), Cara Pascalar, Ada Villers, Ruth Walter (NRCS)
Guests present on Zoom:

5:39PM Mark called the meeting to order.

5:39PM Mark asked for comments on July 29, 2026 regular minutes

5:39PM Jonathan motioned to approve July 29, 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes. Cindy seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

6:46PM Finance Report – Caley

- Caley went over the finance report summary with the board.
- Capacity grant was discussed. Modena will check to see if we have received it yet.
- Caley and Modena will work on funds requests.
- Outstanding Waterways invoices discussed (need to be paid).
- Abby is requesting more hours from her original 20 hours per week after returning from maternity leave.
- Sammie took a job with ODFW leaving a need to hire someone to replace her.
- Caley is going to look for a monitoring specialist.
- We may be able to hire a tech after we receive grant notifications.

5:45PM Cindy motioned to accept the July Finance Report. Ernie seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

5:45PM Project Committee Update

- Caley explained the point system for bids.
- Received 5 bids for E Fork: Jeff Jones Habitat Contracting LLC (winning bid)
- Received 4 bids for S Fork: ADG construction LLC (winning bid)
- Contracts need to be reviewed and approved by board.
- Board did not authorize the Project Committee to approve the contracts.
- Special Board Meeting set for Thursday, September 3, 2026 at 3:30PM to go over the contracts for bids.
- Some bonds are required but can be waived.
- Mark suggested giving the contractor winners one week for a question period.

6:01PM Partner Report (Katie Woodruff NRCS)

- Katie is out of town next month and will be unable to attend the September board meeting.

6:03PM Mark adjourned the meeting.

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Signature of the Chairman Date

Submitted by:

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Modena Thomas Date