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Coos Soil and Water Conservation District Annual Meeting Minutes December 7, 2012- Approved

2012 annual meeting was called to order at 6:20 p.m. by Chairman Mark Villers in the OSU Extension Building in myrtle point, OR.

Board members present: Charlie Waterman, Ernie Newton, Ron Petock, Mark Villers, and Joe Cortez

Absent board members: none

Staff: Dawn Weekly

Guests present: Sam Dement, George Taylor, Bob Main, Anne Guerin, Cheryl Griffith, Beau Allen, Kristle Volin, FJ Petock, Steve & Trish Scheer, Martin Weddle, Pat Jones, Rob, Kerston and Hayden Weekly, Megan Ridge, Keith & Jamie Baker, Bret, Julie, Margie, and Carrie Harris, Rick, Sherilyn, Brandon, and Nicole Fossum, Laurie, Ethan, Dakota, and Ireland Tall Hunter.

Open visit:

6:00-6:15

Introductions:

6:15 p.m. – 6:20 p.m. – Mark introduced the board and then we went around the room and introduced our selves.

Dinner & Dessert:

6:20-9:00-Mark announce that dinner would be available and asked that the board dish up first so they could get their business out of the way while everyone ate. Dinner was catered by Spruce St Bar and Grill of Myrtle Point. Chicken cordon blue, salad, chili and corn bread the rest was potluck style.

Minutes:

6:31-6:35. –**November 15, 2012 Minutes** – Mark called the meeting to order. Board all looked them over, had no issue. **Joe Cortez /Ron Petock motioned and seconded to approve** the November minutes as presented. All were in favor, the motion carried unanimously. (Charlie arrived after and did not vote.)

Treasury Report:

6:35p.m. –6:43p.m. – John had other commitments as this was not our normal meeting time. Seth was available by cell phone if needed. The board reviewed both the December report. Dawn informed the board that ODA had made several deposits totaling \$53,585.00 which included 1st & 2nd Indirect Admin, Reg. Admin, 2nd WQF, and completed project funds. There was also question on the 1st WQF's. Dawn has most of the funds allocated as previously reviewed by the board. **Joe Cortez/Ron Petock motioned and seconded to approve Treasury Report as presented.** All were in favor, the motion carried unanimously. (Charlie arrived after and did not vote.)

Annual Financial Presentation:

6:43p.m. – 6:50 p.m.- Dawn Presented a 10 slide show of the current financial status as of June 30, 2012. Information was based off information provided from Dan Handran Audit.

Coos SWCD Business concluded at 6:50

Legislative Update:

6:50-7:05 Bob Main- Newly re-elected Coos County Commissioner Bob Main was introduced by Chairman Mark Viller. Mr. Main went over a few issues with congress not passing the budget. Then he touched on an issue regarding the local Bandon Marsh Complex. He went up to Portland to a meeting they were having and represented the local residents. He then decided so many things were being overlooked he wrote a letter which will be attached to these minutes as they were read at the meeting.

Guerin Memorial Essay Contest Winners:

7:05-7:20 – Dawn Weekly introduced Anne Guerin and Cheryl Griffith as the daughters of Tom and Dorothy Guerin. This was the 30th anniversary of the Essay Memorial Contest. 1st place winner was a returning winner, Ireland Tall Hunter, she read her essay; Conservation Techniques That Can Be Used To Decrease Soil Erosion In Coos County”, received \$150.00 check, a certificate, and a plaque with her name on it to be displayed at Myrtle Point Jr./Sr. High School for the next year. Second place winner Kayley Leslie of Myrtle Point (not present), received \$125.00 check and a certificate. Third place winner Nicole Fossum of North Bend, received \$100.00 check and a certificate. Blue Ridge Timber Cutting, Inc. which specializes in stream restoration, also donated t-shirts to the winners that say “Root Wads Rule!” on the front and “stream + wood= fish” on the back.

Cooperator of the year:

7:20-7:35- This year’s cooperator of the year was Sandy Jones who received a plaque from Coos SWCD. She lives in Green Acres and completed two failing culvert replacement projects. The project removed the two failing culverts and replaced them with concrete bridge slabs on a fish bearing stream. Even though Sandy was not able to attend, Dawn presented the project with a 20 slide presentation.

SWCD project presentations:

7:35-7:55- Dawn Weekly did two more presentations. The first was a 15 slide presentations on the beaver management pilot project conducted by Coos SWCD staff Eric Himmelreich, Curry SWCD CREP Tech Barbara Grant; NRCS intern Jake Cochran, ODF&W Chris Claire, and a private land owner. The Second was a 26 slide presentation on K-line Irrigation Efficiency systems.

Door Prizes:

7:55-8:05- Dawn was able to obtain enough items that everyone at the meeting walked away with something. Donors were: Nappa-3 basketballs and 12 hats, MP True Value-folding chair, Umpqua Bank-Hat, water bottle, pencils, and 3 bags of coffee, Myrtle Perk-\$10 gift card, Ocean Spray- boxes of dink mix, First CCU- 2 hats, 25 pens, 3 calendars, and post-it pads, SWCD -2 t-shirts, Milk-E-Way Feed – Cutting board, Coquille Supply- fiberglass shovel and leather gloves, Coquille Produce- 2 bottles of wine.

Guest Speaker:

8:05-9:00- Mark introduced George Taylor and some back ground. George Taylor is past president of the American Association of State Climatologists, and the Oregon Climate Service is a recognized state climate office, as certified by that association...However, his title as State Climatologist is questioned by some. The Office of the State Climatologist was eliminated in 1989 because of budget cuts and Redmond left the university. George Taylor was hired on a part-time basis in 1989 in the Department of Atmospheric Sciences as a meteorologist. Two years later (1991), Oregon Senate Bill 661 passed, establishing the Oregon Climate Service at OSU. Taylor was hired on a full-time basis, and the department head in atmospheric science requested that Taylor's title be changed from meteorologist to state climatologist because his role was so similar to that which Redmond held. He showed graphs on oceanic and atmospheric changes over different periods of time. Reviewing historical data of such, showed past weather trends in cyclical patterns and what to expect in the future. He also touched on the cause and effects of the three oceanic cycles: La Nina, Normal and El Nino. He played his guitar to the tune of "My Girl" and sang about La Nina. George allowed a Q&A session at the end and the meeting was adjourned.

Ratified by the board of Directors:

Signature of the Vice-Chairman or
Chairman

Date

Submitted by:

Dawn Weekly- Coos SWCD
Office Manager

Date