

Coos Soil & Water Conservation District 371 North Adams Coquille, OR 97423 Phone 541-396-6879

Coos Soil and Water Conservation District Regular Meeting Minutes-February 26, 2015 (Approved March 26, 2015)

Regular monthly meeting was called to order at <u>7:00 PM</u> by Mark Villers. <u>Board members present</u>:, Mark Villers, Charlie Waterman, Dan Pierce, Ernie Newton, Adela Villers. <u>Absent board members</u>: Empty zone 5 <u>Staff</u>: Caley Sowers, Modena Thomas <u>Guests present</u>: Seth Fandell, Amy Wilson (NRCS)

7:10PM: Mark called meeting to order

7:10PM: Introductions

7:11PM: Adela mentioned minor corrections to January 2015 minutes.

7:11PM Ernie moved to accept January 2015 minutes with corrections made. Dan second. All in favor.

Agency Reports:

7:13PM John Fandell's Treasury Report was given by Seth Fandell – Seth explained to the board the \$10,000 had been moved from the state treasury account to the district budget. Seth explained Coos SWCD is still under spent with the SOW budget. Mark explained we are on the right track with spending the budget. Caley agreed and explained to the board our spending trend has increased over the past few quarters.

7:17PM Mark informed the board of the small grant meeting and the current issues affecting us.

7:24PM Seth concluded.

7:25PM Caley discussed the SOW budget. She stated the budget is going in the right direction.

7:27PM Dan moved to approve treasury report. Ernie second. All in favor.

7:27PM Mark gave ODFW report.

- ODFW had budget cuts.
- Jeff Jackson changed position but will still be available to assist on a limited basis.

7:31PM Mark concluded with the ODFW report.

7:34PM-7:58PM Amy Wilson's Report (NRCS): see attached report

7:58PM-7:59PM Ernie gave CWA report: see attached report

7:59PM Caley's staff report: Caley informed the board two small grants were approved at the small grant meeting.

- Clary: off channel watering
- Dunn: k-line

8:00PM Caley informed the board OWEB will not be funding anymore k-line project. They want to fund permanent structures.

8:03PM Ernie discussed issues with blue-green algae. Ernie mentioned possibly giving data to NRCS (Amy Wilson) to figure out stats regarding blue-green algae.

8:18PM Caley stated we are underspent in our focus area. Caley informed the board of an email she received from Dawn Weekly (CWA) that mentioned a possible project for us. The board discussed contracting with CWA.

8:30PM Caley has a site visit on March 2, 2015 to meet with a landowner who is looking for advice.

8:35PM Caley concluded

8:35PM Board discussed Employee Handbook Chapter 8 and Chapter 9. Caley and Adela discussed changes to be made to the chapters.

8:46PM Ernie motioned to approve Employee Handbook Chapter 8 & Chapter 9 with corrections. Dan second. All in favor.

8:46PM The board discussed sending Modena to Connect 2015 training since Caley is unable to attend.

8:49 Dan motioned to send Modena to Connect 2015 training. Ernie second. All in favor.

8:52PM Mark discussed the small grant team has \$38,000 left to use for projects. Mark mentioned a possible project with Bob Ross.

9:01PM Adela informed the board of a possible project with Mike and Vicky Sherwood. Mark and Adela have plans to look at the project on March 1, 2015.

9:14PM Caley stated we would need to do a site visit on Bob Ross' property.

9:19PM Meeting adjourned.

Signature of the Chairman

Date

Caley Sowers

Submitted by:

Date