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## Coos Soil and Water Conservation District Regular Meeting Minutes September 27, 2018 (Approved October 25, 2018)

Regular monthly meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM

Board members present: Mark Villers, Ernie Newton, Adela Villers, Dan Pierce, Charlie Waterman

Absent board members: Chuck Steffensmeier,

Staff: Caley Sowers

**Guests present**: Christopher Claire (ODFW)

7:00PM Meeting called to order

7:01PM Discussed September 2018 minutes.

#### 7:10PM Adela motioned to accept August 23, 2018 minutes. Dan seconded. All in favor. Approved.

7:11PM Adela had question about the horse workshop. Thought that is had been approved pending finding other sponsors/partners. Caley explained that the workshop had now been postponed until spring due to the landowner having been diagnosed with a serious illness, and now the future of that seems unsure. However, we now have more time to work on securing funding or an alternate location.

• How Cows Save the Planet – Adela book suggestion

#### 7:15PM Charlie motioned to accept the Treasurer Report. Dan seconded. All in favor. Approved.

7:15 to 7:45PM Projects Committee Meeting Review

- Talked about engineering bids received for Stalley Project
- Selected Waterways as both the most qualified and low bidder
- Vote on professional service contract with Waterways Consulting Inc.

# 7:58PM Charlie motioned to approve Professional Service Contract. Dan seconded. All in favor. Approved.

8:00PM Discussed the Chisholm flood irrigation channels project

## 8:19PM Charlie motioned to apply to the OWEB fall grant cycle for Technical Assistance funds for the Chisholm project. Dan seconded the motion. All in favor. Approved.

8:20PM Board Practices Assessment Response

- Auger safety / back strain precautions should be used such as warm-up and stretching, in addition to ear and eye protection.
- Safety meetings will be added to regular agenda in future

8:30 Kayla Rickford/potential future new hire discussion

• Has B.S. Ecological Engineering from OSU

• Resume and description of degree program

8:45PM Funding the CoqWA / subcontracting to write the Coaledo TA

- Might get reimbursed out of CoqWA grant funds if proposal funded
- May not get funded immediately
- Decided not to fund– based on our currently under-funded situation

## 9:00PM Christopher Claire – ODFW

- Cougar from fatal attack on woman possibly caught and killed
- More cougars/bear attacks in recent times
- Other ODFW news

### 9:30PM Mark adjourned meeting

Signature of the Chairman	Date
Submitted by:	
Caley Sowers	 Date
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