



Coos Soil and Water Conservation District
Regular Meeting Minutes (Covid-19)
April 30, 2020

Regular Monthly meeting was called to order at 7:14PM
Board members present in office: Mark Villers, Adela Villers
Board members present via telephone: Charlie Waterman, Michael Clary
Absent board members: Dan Pierce, Ernie Newton,
Staff: Caley Sowers, Modena Thomas
Guests Present in office: Christopher Claire (ODFW)

7:14PM Meeting called to order

7:15PM Review of February draft meeting minutes

7:16PM Charlie motions to approve of February minutes. Adela seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.

7:07PM Discussion of treasures report. Seth Fandel not present to deliver report; Caley reports on financial status. Some modifications need to be made to financial report.

- ODA project vs actual regarding director's expenses needs to be split with payroll
- NACD project budget
- ODA SOW budget
- Quarter payment possibly coming in a couple of weeks. Things running slower due to Covid-19.
- ODA Operations is accurate
- Coquille DEQ – waiting for grant agreement
- NB Working Landscape
- NWQI actual – accountant needs updated budget. Caley will send it to him.
- Randolph Slough – waiting for final payment
- Tidegate Stakeholders – invoice needs to be submitted for payment.

7:22PM Caley concluded

7:13: Adela motions to approve Finance Report with needed corrections stated above. Charlie seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.

7:24PM Staffing update

- Caley explained Brian Lovejoy's departure to board
- Caley informed the board regarding hiring Kyle Motley from Coquille Watershed to fill in on a temporary basis.

7:31PM Charlie motions to hire Kyle Motley at \$20 per hour on a temporary basis. Caley will write his job description. Adela seconds. All in favor. Motion passes.

7:32PM Coronavirus update

- OWEB funding discussed by Caley
 - Grant deadlines pushed to July 27, 2020
 - Currently everything is in a state of hold
 - Decision should be announced in July regarding future funding
 - No new grant agreements can be signed
 - SIA & NB Working Landscape are still being funded

7:36PM Caley & Chris Claire updated board regarding Stalley project.

7:44PM Caley explained to the board how SOW funds can be used during the Covid-19 pandemic.

- SIA outreach postponed possibly until fall. Time frame will be determined by social distancing standards currently in place.
- ODA will handle official outreach for SIA
- Caley is currently working with a couple of landowners regarding SIA

7:50PM Caley's staff report (see attached)

- Johnson Creek
- North Fork focus area
- Caley & Modena currently working on preparing the temperature loggers for deployment in the summer

7:53PM Safety Meeting

- Mark will obtain a new fire extinguisher for the office

7:56PM Caley discussed NRCS position

- They opened application to the general public
- Possibly have a new person hired. No official word though.

7:57PM Barbara Grant's report (see attached March report)

- Caley discussed CREP match for Stalley project

7:59PM Chris Claire's report

- Working with Caley on Winter Lake Phase III
- Working with landowner on Nobel Creek regarding failing tidegate
- ODFW still working from home
- Less enforcement is available

8:03PM Concluded

8:03PM Discussed upcoming Director elections

- Informed board of deadlines

8:08PM Caley discussed working from home and explained to the board how the office is being covered during the pandemic.

8:11PM Future meetings

- OWEN Building is closed through September
- Community Building is closed until further notice
- NRCS does not want groups in conference room
- Test Zoom prior to next board meetings
- Meetings will go back to regular dates

8:14PM Meeting Adjourned

Signature of the Chairman

Date

Submitted by:

Caley Sowers

Date