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January 19, 2022
Jackson Soil and Water Conservation District
(JSWCD)
Board Meeting

Directors, Associates

In attendance:

Allan Campbell – Director
Stan Dean – Chair
Don Hamann – Director
Ron Hillers – Secretary/Treasurer
Barbara Niedermeyer – Vice Chair
Pam Hillers – Associate Director
Gordon Jones – Director

In attendance via zoom:

Nicky Webb Smith – Director

Staff

In attendance:

Randy White – District Manager
Trevor Morris – Business Manager

In attendance via zoom:

Paul DeMaggio – Soil & Water Conservation Engineer
Meghan Montgomery – Agriculture Resource Conservationist
Kora Mousseaux – Community Water Resource Conservationist
Clint Nichols – Riparian Resource Conservationist
Jenna Sanford – Stewardship Monitoring Coordinator
Hannah Satein – Education and Outreach Coordinator

Absent:

Markie Germer – Administrative Specialist

Guests

In attendance:

Jamie Trammel

In attendance via zoom:

Bob Jones
Colleen Roberts

Director Dean called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

Director Dean asked everyone in attendance to introduce themselves to the guest speaker, Jamie Trammel, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Climate Change Presentation

District Manager White asked Kora to introduce Jamie Trammel, the 3rd in a series of 4 climate change presentations.

Jamie talked about the climate change happening right here in Southern Oregon. He presented many different graphs and charts that included current climatology in Oregon and Jackson County, the temperature changes, precipitation, regional drought, temperature anomalies, growing degree days, urban vegetation, impervious surfaces, as well as snowpack. He stated that every decision needs to be made with an eye towards future climate. The presentation was followed by a short question and answer session.

Staff Reports

Meghan reported that she has been working on an application for funds through the SB762 grant program. This project area would reduce fire risk to communities around Butte Falls on a landscape scale. She stated that partners included Medford Water Commission, Forest Service, Town of Butte Falls, as well as numerous landowners within the project area. This project area is next to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) grant that she and Clint are working on as well. The project would cover

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Budget vs. Actual

District Manager White stated that line-item 4001 (ODA/IGA) shows that that there was \$16,186 to come in but that was due to receiving money this fiscal year from last fiscal year. There is still \$15,583 to come in this fiscal year which makes the total \$31,769.

Equipment Committee

Trevor stated that an equipment committee meeting would be scheduled soon.

District Funds Committee

District Manager White reported that there were a lack of District funds coming in and could be a result of COVID slowing things down. He also stated that staff have several large-scale projects going on currently which takes up much of their time.

Personnel Committee

Director Hiller's reported that the committee met and conducted interviews for the Business Manager position, Trevor Morris was selected.

Climate Change Committee

Director Dean confirmed with Director Jones that the 4th and final presentation concerning climate change would be happening next meeting. Director Dean stated that there was no immediate work for the climate change committee. Director Dean also stated that District Manager White is working with other SWCD's concerning a basin team meeting and discussing what they are wanting to do with climate change and if there are opportunities to partner and develop a regional climate summit.

Legislative Update

Director Dean reported that the short session of the legislator is gearing up and has had preliminary meetings. The real short session starts February 1st and lasts through March 7th. At OACD they are tracking three main things to include Oregon Global Warming Commission and their implementation of natural and working lands proposal, the Oregon Agricultural Heritage Program and illegal cannabis and the water enforcement on that.

Strategic Planning Committee

Director Dean stated that the strategic planning committee has met three times and has had some excellent discussions on high level directions and issues that the district is facing. At the next meeting, the main goal will be writing assignments and nailing down the content contained in the report. Hannah Satein and Trevor Morris were both added to the Strategic Planning Committee. In the future, all staff will be involved with an exercise on prioritizing resource concerns.

Officer Elections

A motion by Director Hamann with a second by Director Jones to nominate the current slate of officers passed unanimously.

Committee Appointments

Personnel Committee – Juanita Wright, Pam Hillers, Don Hamann, Allan Campbell, Randy White, Trevor Morris

District Funds Committee – Allan Campbell, Gordon Jones, Barbara Niedermeyer, Randy White, Trevor Morris

Respectfully submitted by: Trevor Morris
Trevor Morris

Minutes approved as printed:

Steve Rosen

Date 2-16-22

Approved as amended:

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