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June 17, 2026
Jackson Soil and Water Conservation District
(JSWCD)
Board Meeting

Directors, Associates

In attendance:

Ron Hillers – Director
Katelyn Detweiler - Director
Stan Dean – Director
Blake Elliott – Director
Don Hamann – Director
Frank Baratta - Director
Maxine Cass – Director – Zoom
Barbara Niedermeyer – Dir. Emeritus- 4:06

Staff in attendance:

Jill Smedstad – Executive Director
Trevor Morris – Business Manager – Zoom
Josh Bilbao – Staff
Clint Nichols – Staff

Guests/Partners:

Peter Winnick - NRCS
Commissioner Roberts
Michael Miller – Member of the Public - Zoom

Director Dean called the June Board Meeting to order at 4:00pm.

May Meeting Minutes

A motion by Director Hammon with a second by Director Hillers to approve the May Board meeting minutes passed unanimously.

Treasurers Report

Business Manager, Trevor Morris, reported that he included budget vs. actual in the packet. We will be very close to 100% revenue this year. He mentioned that we may not receive the NACD grant this FY.

NRCS

Peter Winnick said that there is a reorganization of their agency that will begin in July/August. Peter will keep JSWCD staff and Board updated as changes happen.

Rogue River Watershed Council

Nothing new to report

Commissioner Roberts:

No Report

Admin Report

The Admin Report is in the May Board Packet. Please See Kim Ingram at the front desk for a physical or digital copy.

Personnel Committee Report

Director Baratta said the Personnel Committee met briefly last week. Still have things to iron out with benefits survey before they present to the board.

Legislative Updates

Director Dean reported that OWEB will start forming a Rules Advisory Committee in July. Looking for Watershed Council and SWCD representation from each of the six regions.

OWEB SMALL GRANTS

Director Emeritus Niedermeyer reported that on June 9, 2026, they had \$95,588 to use. There was one approved application for Slagle Creek Forest Health and Fuels Reduction for \$19,999. There is \$75,589 left. The next review will be 10/13/2026. Deadline is 12/30/2026.

OACD

The best practices effort is underway. They will be rolled out and presented November 3-5 at the OACD Conference at the Salishan Lodge in Lincoln City.

Soil Health Rebate Program

Josh Bilbao gave a presentation on his soil health rebate program. Jackson Soil & Water Conservation District (JSWCD) will offer a 50% (up to \$5,000) rebate to improve soil health conditions via predetermined conservation practices based on NRCS EQIP rates. Soil health testing, pre and post project, will be required for all eligible projects. JSWCD will use the Conservation Evaluation and Monitoring Activity (CEMA) 216 guidelines provided by the Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) for soil testing. The landowner is responsible for all project costs above the rebate amount.

Annual Work Plan

Director Smedstad gave the board the Annual Work Plan Draft for approval in July. The Board shared some minor edits.

Antelope Creek River Mile 4.3 CAP Funding

Jill and Clint gave a brief overview of the project proposal.

A motion by Director Baratta with a second by Director Cass to approve expenditures not to exceed \$147,235 in CAP funds, throughout the life of the Antelope Creek River Mile 4.3 project, passed unanimously.

Budget Adoption

A motion by Director Detweiler with a second by Director Hillers to approve Budget Resolution 26/06-120 to adopt the budget, make appropriation, impose the tax, and categorize the tax of \$.05 per \$1000 passed unanimously.

Public Input

None

The meeting was adjourned at 5:34 pm

Respectfully submitted by: Kim Ingram
Office Assistant

Minutes approved as printed:

Stan Dean
Stan Dean (Jul 20, 2026 13:29:21 PDT) Date 07/20/26

Approved as amended:

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