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September 21, 2016
Jackson Soil and Water Conservation District
(JSWCD)
Board Meeting Minutes

Directors

Allan Campbell – Chair
Don Hamann – Director
Ron Hillers – Director – Treasurer/Secretary
Barbara Niedermeyer – Vice Chair
Marilyn Rice – Director
Juanita Wright – Director
Stan Dean – Director

Staff & Guests

Randy White – District Manager
Markie Germer – Administrative Secretary
Clint Nichols – Rural Planner
Jen Sawtell – Education & Outreach Coordinator
Peter Winnick – Acting District Conservationist,
Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)
Larry Martin – Rogue River Valley Irrigation District
(RRVID)
Ryan Hansen – RRVID
Brian Bumgardener - RRVID

Board Chair Campbell opened the Board meeting at 4:07 pm.

Larry Martin, Ryan Hansen & Brian Bumgardener gave a power point presentation on the three mile pressurized system that is funded by Bureau of Reclamation in the Little Butte Creek Watershed, our Focus Area. There are three phases to this project and it should be completed in 2019.

Staff Reports

Jen Sawtell spoke about the first Teacher Appreciation Event at Science Works where 78 teachers attended. She had the opportunity to learn about the different educational events offered by organizations and agencies involved in natural resource educational curriculum. She also reported that a new phone system was installed and staff can now be contacted directly. The new numbers have been posted on the JSWCD web-site. Clint Nichols spoke about the Forage Plot Work Party at the Oregon State University (OSU) Extension – it was well attended. There is a time-lapsed video showing the progress of the work party on our web-site. Staff was excused at 4:59 pm

AGENDA

Added under new business is the Oregon Agriculture Heritage Program (OAHP) proposed legislative summary. Peter Winnick will give the NRCS update after the Administrative portion of the agenda is completed.

MINUTES

A motion by Director Rice with a second by Director Wright to approve the minutes from the August 17, 2016 Board Meeting passed unanimously.

TREASURER REPORTS

A motion by Director Hillers with a second by Director Hamann to accept the Treasurer Reports as presented passed unanimously.

NRCS Report

Peter Winnick was happy to report that Paul DeMaggio has earned his Job Approval Authority (JAA) through NRCS. NRCS is helping to fund oak habitat improvements in The Colestin and the Table Rocks areas. Peter left the meeting at 5:07 pm.

Building Committee

District Manager White reported that the remodel is moving along and the builders expect to start installing the dry-wall next week.

District Funds Committee

Director Niedermeyer reported that the Committee received five applications and recommended four applications. District Manager White stated that the District has helped fund the Oregon State University (OSU) Stream Watershed Assessment Teams (SWAT) Program for three years now with great results. He suggested that a line item be added to the budget instead of using the District Funds process for funding the program. This could be accomplished through an IGA with OSU Extension.

A motion by Director Rice with a second by Director Wright to obligate the SWAT program as a line item on the budget passed unanimously.

District Manager White will contact Rachel Werling, OSU Coordinator for the SWAT Program to discuss the idea.

Personnel Committee

Kora Mousseaux has been hired as the new Urban & Community Planner. Her first day is October 3rd.

Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Rogue River Watershed Council (Amendment)

A motion by Director Niedermeyer with a second by Director Rice to approve the amendment of the MOU with RRWC that states that JSWCD will lease 791 square feet of the remodel space to RRWC for a period of five years at the rate of \$8.09 per square feet. The motion passed unanimously.

District Funding Forms regarding indirect costs

A motion by Director Niedermeyer with a second by Director Hillers to accept the new verbiage added to the District Funds forms that states that JSWCD grants cover direct costs only. The motion passed unanimously.

Oregon Association of Conservation District (OACD) By-laws

The OACD By-laws were included in the Board Packet. Direct your concerns and or questions to Directors Niedermeyer, Rice, or Dean before the October 18th OACD business meeting.

A motion by Director Niedermeyer with a second by Director Wright to appoint Director Rice to represent the District at the OACD Business Meeting and appoint Director Dean as an alternate with latitude to vote based on any new information given before voting. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion by Director Niedermeyer with a second by Director Dean to approve the OACD By-laws as presented passed unanimously.

Oregon Heritage Agriculture Program (OHPA)

The Board was given the legislation concept in their Board packet. District Manager White asked that the Board review these documents and bring thoughts and suggestions to the next monthly Board Meeting.

October Board Meeting Date Change

Because the OACD Business meeting conflicts with the October monthly Board Meeting, the Board needs to move the date.

A motion by Director Rice with a second by Director Dean to move the Board Meeting to Wednesday, October 26th passed unanimously.

Agenda Build

There was no public comment.

The meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by:

Markie Germer

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Official Minutes approved as printed:

Allan Campbell 3^d

Date *10-27-16*

Approved as amended:

_____ Date _____