



*Coos Soil & Water Conservation District  
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Coos Soil and Water Conservation District  
Regular Meeting Minutes  
August 25, 2016  
(Approved Sept. 22nd, 2016)

Regular monthly meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Charlie Waterman  
Board members present:, Mark Villers, Dan Pierce, Adela Villers, Ernie Newton, Charlie Waterman, Chuck Steffensmeier

Absent board members:

Staff: Caley Sowers, Modena Thomas

Guests present: Seth Fandell (CPA), Eric Nusbaum (ODA), Barbara Grant (Curry SWCD/CREP), Eric Moeggenberg (NRCS), Bryan Duggan (OR DEQ)

7:00PM Charlie called to order with introductions

7:02PM Charlie asked for any questions/comments regarding July minutes.  
Charlie requested more dialog on minutes

**7:03PM Dan motioned to approve July minutes. Ernie second. All in favor.**

7:03PM Seth Fandel gave treasurer report.

- Caley stated that district received direct deposit
- Seth stated everything closed out well
- Charlie asked for any corrections – none were stated

**7:04PM Dan motioned to approve Treasurer Report. Ernie second. All in favor**

7:04PM Caley asked about director elections to be sent in

- Chuck had his available

7:06PM Ernie point out not to have Caley send them using government funds for politics

7:07PM Caley stated DEQ319 grant has been approved for funding in the reduced amount of \$6000

7:07PM Bryan discussed the DEQ319 funding

- EPA money for water quality goals
- Coquille received \$12,000
- Coos SWCD received \$6,000
- Data collected will be made accessible to the public
- Used in TMDL development
- Identifying current existing cold water refugia in lower Coquille migratory corridor
- Once data identified, it can be used for future funding
- Streams with 303D listing: if any additional are added to list, it will not change plan
- Needs to move forward by working with Caley on the next steps in the process

- Funds available in summer 2017
- Caley asked when monitoring would start. Bryan stated possibly next spring
- Caley asked what future projects this could benefit. Bryan stated tide gate replacement.
- Chuck asked about monitors in the stream. Bryan explained the Hobo V2 models that would be used. They are self-contained and need to be sent in for battery replacement. Bryan explained how the Hobos would be put in the stream.

7:17PM Mark & Adela arrived. Bryan continued to discuss the Hobos and answer questions from the board.

7:22PM Charlie turned the meeting over to Mark.

- District would need pre-approved monitoring plan from ODA.
- Caley suggested applying for matching funds through OWEB or tribe. Caley also suggested working with land owners interested in the tide gate survey.
- Need a project committee
- Eric stated the project committee makes recommendations to the board. It is considered a public meeting and notice needs to be given. It will help with deadlines
- Mark asked for volunteers for project committee
  - Mark volunteered
  - Dan volunteered
  - Eric (NRCS) volunteered

**7:34PM Ernie motions to proceed with DEQ319 grant and to accept funds and develop monitoring plan. Dan second. All in favor.**

7:40PM Caley suggested to set annual meeting date at September board meeting. Norma Kline to be guest speaker on topic of Sudden Oak Death.

7:44PM OWEB deadline is November 1<sup>st</sup>.

7:44PM Caley discussed Barker project

- Will be first large grant ever submitted by Coos SWCD
- Permitting needs to start now
- Board needs to decide if they or landowners will take on the permit payment

8:03PM Caley needs board's approval to invest time to write the Barker project grant.

- \$5000 admin on grant

**8:10PM Dan motioned to approve Caley to spend time writing the grant. Ernie second. All in favor.**

- Find out if landowner is willing to pay permit fees

8:10PM Offield Creek – approved.

- Northwest Youth Corp will build fence Aug 29<sup>th</sup> - Sept 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Caley is requesting funds up front rather than waiting for OWEB's payment to order materials on account. Need to set up account with Coos Coop.

**8:28PM Charlie motioned to open Coos Grange Co-op account with needing board approval for each purchase. Ernie second. All in favor. Dan recused himself from this vote.**

**8:32PM Adela motioned to approve contract with NW Youth Corp. Ernie second. All in favor. Dan recused himself from this vote.**

8:34PM Sause Bros project is on hold.

8:35PM Coquille Tribe grant for education workshop

- John Souder doing workshop in the Hale Center at SWOCC on November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2016.

8:37PM Dutch John project – got extension

8:38PM Steffensmeier project: landowner needs to pay another \$50 to county planning for land use fees, which have been raised from \$100 to \$150.

8:39PM Eric with ODA gave his report.

- Katie Coba became CFO of state
- Discussed annual meetings, proper legal notice to ODA
- Present annual report and audit at annual meeting
- SDAO Director training coming up
- Revised district guide book coming out in October
- OACD business meeting on October 18<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>
- No OACD conference in Clackamas

8:44PM Eric concluded

8:46PM Eric (NRCS) report

- Civil Rights Agreement was read out loud by Eric
- Gave copy of Civil Rights policies for our files
- Cooperative Working Agreement read out loud by Eric
- Eric read out loud Civil Rights section
- Local foods agriculture
- Conservation Stewardship has been revised
- Technical Note for cranberry grower
- Eric requested copy of approved minutes

8:55PM Eric concluded

8:56PM Barbara Curry SWCD/CREP report

- Discussed 1 acre project on South Fork
- Discussed 2.1 acres on Middle Creek
- Bridge project is 3.8 acres
- Needs signatures as reviewers of what is going on in the county

9:06PM Barbara concluded

9:07PM Mark gave brief report for Chris Claire (ODFW)

- Discussed reconnect
- East Fork fish passage
- Went to level 4 today so had to stop working

9:11PM Mark concluded

9:11PM Ernie's report was sent in board packets (no discussion)

9:14PM SDAO training is September 9<sup>th</sup> at Millington Fire Department

9:15PM Resolutions need to be discussed at future meeting.

9:16PM Meeting adjourned.

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Signature of the Chairman

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Date

Submitted by:

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Caley Sowers

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Date