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Coos Soil and Water Conservation District
Regular December Meeting Minutes
June 2, 2022
(Approved on June 30, 2022)

Regular meeting was called to order at 7:05PM

Board members present at office: Mark Villers, Ernie Newton, Adela Villers, Cindy Gant, Charlie Waterman

Board members present on Zoom/Telephone:

Absent board members: Michael Clary

Staff present in office: Caley Sowers, Modena Thomas, Andrew Chione

Staff present on Zoom:

Guests present in office: Katie Woodruff (NRCS)

Guests present on Zoom:

7:05PM Mark called meeting to order

7:05PM Introductions

7:06PM Mark asked for comments for April 2022 minutes.

7:06PM Adela motioned to approve April 28, 2022 minutes. Ernie seconded. Charlie abstained. All in favor.

7:08PM Treasurer Report

- Caley discussed meeting with Eric (ODA), Seth (accountant) and Michael
- Board discussed how they would like the finance report
- 75% SOW / 69.3 District Operations – year end June 30th
- Caley received \$220,000 in funding
- Mark discussed amount paid to the accountant

7:21PM Caley concluded

7:23PM Mark motioned to increase paying accountant (Coquille Valley Accounting & Tax) from \$500 per month to \$1000 per month (50% SOW & 50% Dist Op). Adela seconded. All in favor.

7:25PM Charlie motioned to approved Treasurer Report. Adela seconded. All in favor.

7:26PM BioHabitat Revised Bid

- Caley explained the situation to the board of the significant increase

- Discussed putting it back out to bid
- RFB will go out by Tuesday, mandatory visit on June 20th and close on June 27th

7:40PM Caley concluded

7:43PM Board decided to change June board meeting from June 23rd to June 30th

7:44PM Caley applied for ODFW funds

- Randolph Island \$135,000
- Noble Creek \$85,000

7:45PM Board discussed inflation/rising costs of doing projects

7:47PM Establish Sub-committees

- Discussed what responsibility falls on committees
- Draft charter for each committee
- Policies
- Charlie stated it should be the board's responsibility, not the staff
- Modena will send out Doodle Poll to have board meeting for policies – tabled until around November due to summer schedules being so busy

7:55PM Upcoming election discussed

7:56PM Printer purchase

- Caley discussed options
- Would need to take money out of general fund or District Op to cover cost
- Refurbished printer in Florence with warranty

8:07PM Adela motioned to take up to \$1500 out of the general fund to purchase printer. Cindy seconded. All in favor.

8:08PM Staff Reports – Caley

- Additional \$220,000 in funding
- Ed Hughes named the new habitat restoration point person at ODFW
- Working on Winter Lake signatures
- 2 grants were not funded
- 2 ODFW were funded
- Bear Creek site visit
- Went on ODA compliance site visits
- NWQI 4th deliverable is completed
- USDA laptop has been updated
- Completed funds request and working on more
- SOW payment coming

8:16PM Caley concluded

8:16PM Andrew's report

- Working on Lampa Creek fence
- Working on planning certification to become certified planner with NRCS
- Deployed temperature loggers

8:19PM Andrew concluded

8:19PM Modena's report

- Overall busy month, everything is in report

8:20PM Modena concluded

8:20PM Safety Meeting

- Mark has snow shoes to assist with not getting stuck in the mud while out in the field
- While collecting water samples, a landowner warned staff about a cougar sighting

8:26PM Concluded

8:26PM Katie's report (NRCS) – see attached

- More in-person trainings
- Basin meeting
- Potential site visit
- One application so far
- Gorse CIS approved – wild fire protection
- Weed meeting – gorse action group / ODOT
- Oregon received \$6 million for agricultural easements
- FSA has funds available to offset hauling water and hay costs

8:40PM Mark adjourned

Signature of the Chairman

Date

Submitted by:

Caley Sowers

Date