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Regular Meeting Minutes
May 24th, 2018
(Approved June 28, 2018)

Regular monthly meeting was called to order at 7:06 PM

Board members present: Mark Villers, Ernie Newton, Adela Villers, Charlie Waterman, Dan Pierce

Absent board members: Chuck Steffensmeier

Staff: Caley Sowers, Rushal Sedlemyer

Guests present: John Fandel (CPA), Melaney Dunne (Coquille WA)

7:06PM Mark called meeting to order

7:07PM Board reviewed April 11th and 28th 2018 minutes.

7:08PM Charlie asked about Chuck's Small Grant and Caley responded that he decided to back out of the application.

7:10PM Need to fix some typos on the April 11th minutes

7:11PM Charlie motioned to approve April 11th 2018 minutes with corrections. Dan seconded the motion. All in favor (no opposed). Approved.

7:13PM Board members discussed whether or not Chuck will still be able to serve as a board member if he sells his property. Will need to wait and see if he will still have 10 acres within the zone he represents.

7:14PM Dan motioned to approve April 26th 2018 minutes. Ernie seconded the motion. Charlie abstained. All in favor. Approved.

7:18PM Quick Small Grant discussion (Staff Report)

- Chuck's Small Grant voted to fund, but backed out
- Geaney Project was not voted to fund; Caley wants to look at what was done in the old project more closely.
- CoqWA gorse project and SWCD Randolph Slough projects put back at full funding
- Adam's Creek voted for full funding
- All applications sent on to OWEB for processing

7:21PM Treasurer's Report

- We are good, but we need to watch spending since we are almost at 100% with capacity funding, but we have nice cushion with general fund.
- We will be close to zero at end of the biennium.
- Caley mentioned that timecard columns for grants need to match report, not just be lumped into technical assistance. This helps us to report match for grant reporting.

7:24PM Dan motioned to approve treasurer's report. Charlie seconded the motion. All in favor. Approved.

7:25PM NOAA Fisheries Tidegate handout

- Permit stream-lining

7:27 Mel (CoqWA) discussed being a part of the steering committee for the Tidegate Partnership and attended Salem meeting.

- There will be a statewide inventory for tidegates
- Seeing what California and Washington are doing for their tidegate issue
- NOAA and ODFW working together to streamline permits

7:40PM Caley passed out board member election packets

- We have to have a legal notice published in the paper by July 29th.

7:45PM Caley passed out Best Management Practices Assessment and recommendations

- Need to do safety meetings; update legal posters in office; continue to do performance evaluations
- Eric N. suggested updating job descriptions; comments in assessment.
- Caley brought performance review forms for Mark.

7:51PM Caley passed out sample job descriptions and made a rough draft for her new job description based on samples from several SWCD's around the state.

7:57 Discussed Stalley Tidegate project being funded and next steps.

7:59PM Charlie brought up DEQ 319 project and wants to see data

- We were not anticipating that tidegates were helping to keep the cold water in. Leaky tidegates will leak in warm water.
- We will print charts for the next board packets and work on compiling the rain gauge data

8:07PM Caley discussed Trillium Stables and Land Use Form issues

- Needed to submit a Conditional Use Permit and justify ordinance, but boarding horses is an EFU use.
- Battled County Planning and found out we needed a different permit, a compliance determination.
- Was originally a \$612 permit, but got invoiced for \$306.
- Tom Dexter has a similar project with a horse boarding facility, but he is zoned residential/ improved. He may end up withdrawing application.

8:16 PM Melaney Dunne (CoqWA Staff Report)

- Got Oregon State Weed Board grant for knotweed, which will be focused on Middle Creek landowners.

8:20PM Public Comment

Charlie:

- Brought a couple Ag articles to share with everyone: Climate Science Fiction and How important meat is to human nutrition

8:29PM Group discussed some Coos County history.

9:31PM Mark called meeting adjourned.

Signature of the Chairman

Date

Submitted by:

Caley Sowers

Date