

Jefferson County SWCD Board Minutes ~ November 15, 2022

Jefferson County SWCD
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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

January 24, 2023

Madras Airport Conference Room ~ Madras, Oregon and
Virtually Via GoToMeeting

Members Present:

Board:

Scott Samsel (At Large 1)
Brad Klann (Zone 2)
Lloyd Forman (Zone 4)
Rob Galyen (At Large 2)
Curt Locke (Zone 5)

Staff:

Staci Merkt
Adam Haarberg
Ellen Hammond
Lisa Windom

Advisors:

Ally Steinmetz, MDWC
Theresa DeBardelaben, OWEB
Lars Santana, NRCS
Jenn Eatwell, NRCS
Collin Cowsill, NUID

SUMMARY OF BOARD MOTIONS

Motion #1: *Motion made by Rob Galyen to approve the November 15 and the December 20, 2022 Board Minutes. Seconded by Brad Klann. Motion carried unanimously.*

Motion #2: *Motion made by Scott Samsel to approve the January 24, 2023 financial activity report as submitted. Seconded by Rob Galyen. Motion carried unanimously.*

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Motion #3: *Motion made by Rob Galyen to approve the JCSWCD Annual Meeting time of February 2, 2023 at 9:30AM at the Jefferson County Farm Fair. Seconded by Scott Samsel. Motion carried unanimously.*

Call to Order:

The January 24, 2023 Jefferson County SWCD Board meeting was called to order by Chair Lloyd Forman at 12:04PM with a quorum in place.

Approval of November 15 and December 20, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes:

The board reviewed the November and December 2022 board minutes as presented:

Motion #1: *Motion made by Rob Galyen to approve the November and December, 2022 Board Minutes as presented. Seconded by Brad Klann. The Motion passed unanimously.*

Approval of January 24, 2023 Financial Activity Report:

Staci took the board through the balance sheet, profit and loss statement and active grant balances as of January 24, 2023.

Current active grants are reported on and balanced per grant requirements and all payroll taxes and reports are paid and current. As funding continues to flux, and grants focus more and more towards on the ground costs, it will be imperative that the District continues to seek out other possible sources of funding as well as new conservation stewardship ideas.

Motion #2: *Motion made by Scott Samsel to approve the January 24, 2023 financial activity report as submitted. Seconded by Rob Galyen. Motion carried unanimously.*

JCSWCD Annual Meeting location, date and time:

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Motion #3: *Motion made by Rob Galyen to approve holding the JCSWCD Annual Meeting on February 2, 2023 at 9:30AM at the Jefferson County Farm Fair. Seconded by Scott Samsel. Motion carried unanimously.*

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JCSWCD Long Range Plan Update ~ Ellen and Staci

Review Annual Meeting/Farm Fair Presentation ~ Lisa

Drought Relief Programs Update ~ Staci

MDWC Report:

Ally gave updates on Council administrative business, educational programs, monitoring and research projects, restoration activities and projects and outreach activities and events.

Trout Creek Project Update:

Adam gave updates on the progress of his current projects, status of his BPA contract and potential projects next program year.

Conservation Specialist and CREP Update:

Lisa gave an update on CREP projects, plans and potential applicants as well as potential projects supported through the ODA Scope of Work.

JCSWCD Long Range Plan and Annual Report Updates ~ Lisa and Staci

Lisa said she had begun working on the JCSWCD Annual Report and was meeting with staff and partners in the coming weeks to get updates on their projects, accomplishments, grant opportunities and other work this past year to include in the report.

Staci then gave an update on the JCSWCD Long-Range Plan stating that Todd Peplin was going to assist with the plan as he has decades of experience with them and was also assisting with the Jefferson County NRCS Long-Range Plan (which aligns with the JCSWCD one). Staci said that the district would like to have an updated LRP that is relevant to current issues in place by this spring.

PARTNER REPORTS:

NRCS: Lars and Jenn gave an update on NRCS programs and said that they've been working closely with all the JCSWCD and MDWC staff who are supporting them by helping with various projects.

OWEB: Theresa

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NUID: Collin

Meeting was adjourned at 2:02PM.