

# MINUTES OF THE ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF NORTH SANTIAM WATERSHED COUNCIL

The Board of Directors met on January 10, 2019 6pm – 8:00 pm

The meeting was held at the Oregon Home Builders Association Office – Salem, OR

Brad Nanke, Board President called the meeting to order. The NSWC mission was read and introductions followed.

Directors Present: Brad Nanke - President (City of Salem), Brent Stevenson – Vice President (Irrigation District Representative), John Caruso - Treasurer (Marion County Representative), Bill Sanderson (Economic 1 & Recreation Representative), Jan Irene Miller - Secretary (Linn County Resident/Bird Haven Tree Farm Representative), Suzette Boudreaux (Little North Fork Santiam Subbasin Representative), Woody Jackson (Breitenbush Subbasin Representative)

A Quorum Present: Seven out of eight of the Directors were present. Dave Carpenter (Aquatic Resources Representative) was absent.

Technical Advisors Present: Brandin Hilbrandt

NSWC Staff Present: Rebecca McCoun, Executive Director

Contracted Project Manager/Marion SWCD Staff: Sarah Hamilton

General Members Present: Jim Bayuk, Alex Hilbrandt, Francisco Franco, Rosario Franco, Bruce Stermer, Barbara Butzer, Carolyn Strom, Edie Dooley

## I CORPORATE ACTIONS

**6:10 pm Minutes to Previous Meeting:** Minutes of the previous meeting held on November 8, 2018 were brought to the floor. Brad motioned to approve the November 2018 minutes. John noted several corrections needed to be made. Rebecca took note of the corrections. Jan Irene made a second to approve the minutes with the corrections. No further discussion. All were in favor. The November 2018 minutes were adopted.

**6:13 pm Funding Request:** Rebecca asked the board for approval to attend the Institute for Generative Leadership's "Foundations of Generative Leadership Workshop." The training will be held in Mill Valley, California April 25 through the 27. The cost for the training is \$995 plus hotel and travel costs. Total cost could be around \$2,500 to \$3,000. Rebecca noted she still needs to see where the budgets land after the CPRCD transition before knowing where the funds to cover the cost will come from. Jan Irene provided additional information regarding the training opportunity. Jan Irene moved to approve funds be allocated toward the training. Brent made a second. No further discussion. All in favor.

## II PRESENTATION

### 6:15 pm North Santiam Watershed Council Projects Update

Presenter: Rebecca McCoun, Executive Director

Rebecca reminded the council of the NSWC Action Plan priorities and noted how the current projects fit into meeting those priorities. Rebecca provided an update on all open restoration grants, which include:

- Ankeny Wildlife Refuge OWEB Small Grant
- Westbrook Refuge OWEB Small Grant
- Bear Branch Creek Wet Prairie, Oak, Riparian and Instream Restoration OWEB Large Grant
- Marion County Weed District OSWB Grant – NSWC is a partner on project on this project
- South Valentine – Beitel Riparian Restoration & Plant Establishment (East & West)
- Bird Haven Floodplain Restoration in Plant Establishment phase
- Dieckman Slough Restoration in Plant Establishment phase
- Model Watershed Program projects in Plant Establishment phase
- Rebecca presented on two recent OWEB Large Grant submissions: Little North Fork Santiam Bank Restoration proposal and the Upper North Santiam Side Channel Reconnection proposal.

Rebecca then discussed collaborative projects:

- The South Santiam, North Santiam and Marion SWCD first Plan for Your Land workshop series will begin at the end of January.
- The ECONorthwest report on the value of water in the North Santiam will be released soon. A stakeholder meeting to present on the report is tentatively scheduled for February 19<sup>th</sup> at the Marion County Public Works Building in Salem.
- The Partners of the North Santiam have a working draft action plan they will be working off of over the next year.
- The Santiam Water Control District received another Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART grant.

Questions & group discussion followed.

### 7:10 pm Meeting Adjourned – Dinner Began

Signature of Secretary  Date: 2/14/19

Jan Irene Miller