

Joint General Member and Steering Committee Meeting

Location: Stayton Community Center

Date: July 13, 2017

Time: 6:00 to 8:00 PM

Attendance:

Roll Call for Quorum: Brad Nanke (City of Salem – Chair), John Caruso (Marion County – Secretary/Treasurer), Jan Irene Miller (Landowner At-Large), Mike Kroon (Natural Resources), Dave Carpenter (At Large-Landowner), Lawrence Schwabe (Grand Ronde Tribe), Bill Sanderson (Economic & Recreation)

General: Gary Pullman, Darrin Neff, Ken Hetsel, Robert Gentry, Brandin Krempasky, Ken Roley, Heather Anderson, Kent Westbrook, Scott Walker, Keith Kuenzi

Council Coordinator: Rebecca McCoun

Shared Santiam Project Manager: Not Present

6:00 PM Steering Committee Meeting Called to Order

Council Mission Read

Roll Call for Quorum: Quorum Confirmed

Introductions

6:02 PM Brad brought the June 2017 meeting minutes to the floor. Dave Carpenter moved to approve the minutes. Lawrence Schwabe seconded the motion. No further discussion. All were in favor. The June 2017 Minutes were adopted.

6:05 PM Announcements & Public Comment

Rebecca shared OSU Extension monthly email “The Needle” July tour announcements with the council.

Scott Walker, Marion SWCD Board Member shared with the Council the new funding opportunity recently approved by the Marion SWCD Board of Directors. The Marion SWCD has set aside \$25k in their 2017-2018 budget to assist the Marion County watershed councils (Pudding River WC & North Santiam WC) meet their OWEB grant 25% match requirements. Marion SWCD is currently working on the grant application criteria and process for the councils to follow. Scott noted letters of intent for match funds for this coming OWEB’s fall grant cycle would be due sometime in late August and that more information would be sent out to us shortly.

Gary Pullman announced the Rain Garden project in Salem on 13th and Marion Street started moving ground.

6:20 PM Secretary/Treasurer Update:

John Caruso provided an overview of some of the issues he has been having with CPRCD reports.

Rebecca provided those who were not present at the last meeting an update on the council's decision to research what it would take to become a non-profit. Jan Irene provided a recap of the June Non Profit Finance Fund workshop in which she, John Caruso and Rebecca attended in Eugene. Meyer Memorial Trust funded the training to help the Model Watershed council's build capacity related to running efficient nonprofits. John Caruso noted he really needs more information to review the financials and would like help from the other board members.

Rebecca noted Jan Irene, John C, Brad N. and possibly Brent have a meeting scheduled with Dave Adkin, a Non Profit Attorney in August to learn more about what all is involved in being a nonprofit.

Council Coordinator Update: Rebecca McCoun:

Rebecca noted she attended an OSU Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) training in June. Meyer Memorial Trust capacity grant covered staff time to attend. Rebecca noted it was a great training focused on helping break down barriers.

Jan Irene asked Rebecca about the Meyer Memorial Trust's DEI efforts. What outcomes are they hoping to have from these discussions? Rebecca noted they are looking to start these often times uncomfortable conversations and to have each of our organizations reflect on how we are addressing DEI issues. Rebecca noted she would reach out to Meyer to get a more detailed official response.

Rebecca noted the EcoFest "Party for the Planet" event was held June 17, 2017. The event did not have a huge turnout. Approximately 25-30 people stop by the NSWC booth.

Rebecca participated on the Marion SWCD Budget Committee meeting held June 19, 2017.

Rebecca noted she assisted Tyler with flagging the Sandner CREP boundary on June 26, 2017.

Rebecca attended the Clean River Coalition Meeting in Keizer on July 12, 2017. The Coalition is working toward creating a coordinated education and outreach campaign focused on responsible water use and clean rivers throughout Oregon.

Rebecca noted she is working with Ethan Rosenthal, David Evans & Associates on preparing for next week's Partners of the North Santiam meeting.

6:50 PM Presentation:

Ken Roley and Keith Kuenzi, Engineers with the City of Salem provided the council with a presentation on the Upper and Lower Bennett Dams. Topics covered included:

- Upper Bennett Dam – purpose and history
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- Flow measurements, withdrawal and usage of water
- Recently completed projects
- Ongoing efforts for maintenance of the dams and the City's water intake

Ken Roley noted their current Upper Bennett Dam feasibility study would be complete at the end of December. Ken noted they would be happy to come back and present the results to the council in 2018.

7:45 PM **New Business:**

Rebecca handed out the draft joint strategic planning document and meeting notes Allison Handler put together after the NSWC 7 SSWC Joint Strategic Planning meeting held June 28, 2017. Rebecca asked the Council to review the document and be prepared to provide feedback at the next meeting.

7:50 PM **Meeting Adjourned**