



West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District Board Meeting Minutes 10/10/2018

**1. Meeting Location and Time:**

Location: Portland Brewing Company Taproom, 2730 NW 31<sup>st</sup> Avenue, Portland, OR 97210

The meeting was called to order by Director Preeg Riggsby at 7:53 PM.

**2. Introductions and Agenda Approval**

Board Members Present: Directors Hartline, Lightcap, Looney, Preeg Riggsby, Sowder; Board Members Absent (Excused): Miller, Peterson; Associate Directors Present: Hamer; District Manager (DM): Cathcart; Staff: Razalenti; NRCS Staff: Galland

The agenda was approved by acclamation.

**3. Minutes:** *WMSW Conservation District 9/12/2018 Board Meeting Minutes<sup>i</sup>*

Director Sowder made a motion to approve the minutes as written and Director Hartline seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 5-0.

**4. Treasurer's Report**

DM Cathcart gave the Treasurer's report in Director Miller's absence. The District is in good financial position, with expenses greater than revenues which is typical for this time of year before tax revenues come in, as well as conservation programs being underspent at this time. The Sturgeon Lake funds are also in good financial position.

The following reports were reviewed:

- a) *WMSWCD-Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2018<sup>ii</sup>*
- b) *WMSWCD-General Fund Budget Only Budget Performance July 31, 2018<sup>iii</sup>*
- c) *WMSWCD-Sturgeon Lake Fund Budget Performance July 31, 2018<sup>iv</sup>*
- d) *WMSWCD-Balance Sheet as of August 31, 2018<sup>v</sup>*
- e) *WMSWCD-General Fund Budget Only Budget Performance August 31, 2018<sup>vi</sup>*
- f) *WMSWCD-Sturgeon Lake Fund Budget Performance August 31, 2018<sup>vii</sup>*

**5. US Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Update**

NRCS staff member Galland reported that local funding pools will open up in March and NRCS has a new system for ranking and tracking applications. She also reported that a fellow staffer has left NRCS temporarily, and possibly permanently, due to a family emergency, and that a new staffer is in negotiation for an open position (not associated with the currently vacant position). A new tool has been introduced to NRCS to see what staffing needs there are, and currently Galland has 77 active contracts and could use 2-3 more staff. There are currently a good number of projects with the District's forestry program and NRCS.

## **6. Oregon Association of Conservation Districts (OACD) Update**

Director Preeg Riggsby reminded the group that OACD is having a Fall Strategic Plan meeting November 14-15<sup>th</sup> and that all are welcome.

## **7. Directors' and Associate Directors' Check-in**

Associate Director Hamer reported that he facilitated another cleanup on the river with SOLVE and will share photos of that event with the group at a future Board meeting. There were 39 tires found this year, but less total debris this year than last year.

## **8. Announcements/Reminders/Confirmation of next Meeting:**

The November Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2018. Director Lightcap announced that he will not be able to attend the November meeting. The December Board meeting will be on December 5<sup>th</sup>. Director Looney moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 PM; Director Hartline seconded; all approved (5-0).

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<sup>i</sup> WMSWCD 9/12/18 Board Meeting Minutes

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<sup>viii</sup> Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Report

<sup>ix</sup> Staff Reports