



West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District (WMSWCD) Board Meeting Minutes 8/16/2022

1. Meeting Location and Time:

Location: Director Hartline's property on Sauvie Island

The meeting was called to order by Chair Preeg Riggsby at 6:05 PM.

2. Introductions and Agenda Approval

Directors Present: Hartline, Lightcap, Looney, Peterson, Preeg Riggsby, Sowder; Directors Absent (excused): Miller; Staff Present: DeMarco, Kern-Korot, Levis, Magyar, Taylor; NRCS Staff Present: Galland

The agenda was approved by acclamation.

3. Minutes:

Board members reviewed the West Multnomah SWCD Board Meeting minutes from 6/21/2022.ⁱ Director Lightcap made a motion to approve the June 21, 2022, Board meeting minutes as written, and Director Hartline seconded the motion. The motion was approved with a vote of 6-0.

4. Review of Treasurer's Reports

Staff member Levis reviewed the following reports with board members and noted the District fiscal year 2022 and July 2022 financial results were as expected:

- a) WMSWCD-Balance Sheet as of June 30, 2022ⁱⁱ
- b) WMSWCD-Full Year Budget vs. Actual for June 30, 2022ⁱⁱⁱ
- c) WMSWCD-Balance Sheet as of July 31, 2022^{iv}
- d) WMSWCD-Budget Performance Report for July 31, 2022^v

5. Public comment period

No public comment.

6. District Manager Recruitment Update

Director Preeg Riggsby updated the board on the District Manager recruitment, noting that over 100 candidates had applied to-date; applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Approximately 18 candidates had passed the first screening and were being considered further using a qualitative rubric/matrix to determine the extent to which they met the required and preferred qualifications. The Personnel Committee expects to begin interviews mid-September.

7. USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service Update

District Conservationist Galland reported that she is in the process of filling two open Soil Conservationist positions. She also updated the board on the Black Food Sovereignty Coalition's emergency of having a broken pump and not being able to irrigate their crops. Various options are being considered to assist, and Kern-Korot will reach out to BFSC leadership this week to identify what assistance would be most helpful.

8. Announcements/Reminders/Upcoming Meetings:

Director Preeg Riggsby noted the following upcoming meetings/events:

- Next Board meeting will be 9/20/22
- SDAO sponsored Board Member Training 8/31/22 8:30am-4:00pm; Board members should email admin@wmswcd.org if interested and able to attend.

Director Preeg Riggsby declared the meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM and invited all to have something to eat and to tour Director Hartline's property and plantings.

ⁱWMSWCD 6/21/2022 Board Meeting Minutes

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ⁱⁱⁱWMSWCD-Full Year Budget vs. Actual for June 30, 2022

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^{vi}Staff Reports