

# West Multnomah Soil & Water Conservation District

## Board Meeting Minutes – April 21, 2026

**Date:** April 21, 2026

**Location:** Tryon Creek Education Pavilion (11231 SW Terwilliger Blvd) and online over Zoom

**Directors Present:**

Preeg Riggsby, Looney, Sowder, Hamer, DeFuria, Topaz, Spector (Associate), Hartline (Associate)

**Staff Present:**

Jogerst, Clarenbach, Greene

**Public:**

Rhonda Z.

**1. Call to Order**

Preeg Riggsby called the meeting to order at 7:39 pm following the conclusion of the Budget Committee Meeting.

**2. Agenda Review<sup>i</sup>**

Preeg Riggsby reviewed the agenda and no additions or revisions were proposed.

**3. Approval of March 2026 Meeting Minutes<sup>ii</sup>**

Preeg Riggsby invited a motion to approve the March board meeting minutes.

Motion: Looney moved to approve as presented.

Second: Hamer:

Vote to approve: Preeg Riggsby, Looney, Sowder, Hamer, DeFuria, Topaz. The motion passed unanimously.

**4. Treasurer's Report<sup>iii</sup>**

Clarenbach presented the financial report for the first three quarters of the fiscal year. March revenue totaled approximately \$200,000, with year-to-date revenue of \$2.4 million and expenses of approximately \$1.75 million, resulting in a net income of about \$500,000. Revenue and expenses were reported to be generally in line with prior year actuals, with property tax revenue remaining flat and grant revenue lower than originally budgeted.

Clarenbach noted that personnel costs are tracking close to budget, while most operating expenses are under budget, with exceptions in contracted services and IT support. Cash on hand was reported at approximately \$2.1 million, consistent with historical trends. He emphasized a shift toward comparing actuals to budget and prior year actuals for clearer financial tracking.

## **5. Public Comment**

Rhonda Z. shared feedback on attending Soil School for the first time, noting the event was well organized, well attended, and provided useful, practical information. Board members acknowledged the success of the program and encouraged continued participation in future events.

## **6. Director Check-Ins**

Due to time constraints, Director check-ins were abbreviated. No additional updates were shared.

## **7. Announcements & Close**

Preeg Riggsby confirmed that a second Budget Committee meeting would not be needed this year, as the committee reached agreement on the proposed budget.

The next Board meeting confirmed for May 19 and will be held virtually.

Preeg Riggsby and Jogerst reminded Directors of the required Oregon Government Ethics Commission public meetings law training. Jogerst noted that a scheduling survey had been sent and emphasized the need to complete the training by the end of May to meet statutory requirements. The training also supports insurance best practices compliance.

*The meeting adjourned at 7:56 pm.*

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<sup>i</sup> Board Meeting Agenda (packet page 1)

<sup>ii</sup> March Meeting Minutes (packet pages 2-6)

<sup>iii</sup> Financial Statements and Review for period ending 31 March 2026 (packet pages 7-19)