Minutes



April 11, 2019, 7 p.m. - 9 p.m. Volunteer Hall – 144 S. Warren St. Monmouth, OR 97361

7:00-7:01 <u>Call to order</u>

Patrick Melendy, President

Introductions – Guests Sharon Safina, Judy & Kirk Lewis and Board Members Pat Melendy, Wendy Hudson, Dave Ehlers, Kathy Farnworth, Dan Farnworth and Staff Kristen Larson

Minutes – *Action*: Approved March 14, 2019 Minutes (*Attachment A*) Time and attendance sheets

7:01 – 7:04 <u>Public Comments</u> Guest Kirk Lewis asked if we are still participating in small grant program – did one for LSNA before the big LSNA projects started. Interested in removal of blackberries and canary grass, has a new neighbor Tyson Brown may be able to get him interested in the Board. Commented happy with what the Watershed Councils have accomplished since they began (and he was involved).

All Present

7:05 – 7:09 Mission Moment & Questions / Comments on Committee Minutes / Activities

Board Member Wendy – Project visit of South Fork Pedee site with technical tour, had 14 people show up, Karen Hans had nice things to say about the application and the work Kristen & JP put into it, to be awarded this grant in a competitive competition. Staff Kristen – Karen Haberman, WOU professor, Invertebrate studies at the same location above & below culvert to assess water quality – referred to as near pristine. *Board and Committee Members*

7:09 – 7:20 Fundraising Committee

Wendy Hudson, Chair

Love Your Watershed Campaign, request for input, Attachment B

Wendy – 3 questions to consider on maintaining or losing LYW program, and May 5 and June 1 events. Pat Education & Outreach make a huge difference in people's lives: inform, educate and move to action. Have to continue in some form. Without information, people cannot act. Dan Education & Outreach makes people's minds larger – see how their actions affect others and others actions affect them. Recognize more control in their lives for their watershed. Pat – Feel good doing work in the watershed. Kathy - lectures on special topics of interest are a good tool for communicating the LWC to those who are otherwise not aware. Kristen passes out postcard for comment soliciting input on value of Education & Outreach programs that help us "Love Your Watershed". "Dan – Why should you LYW?" Kristen – Water Is Life. Wendy – "what do you appreciate about LYW activity?" Dan - want to be inspiring. Dave – "You can't preach but you can teach."

7:20 – 7:53 Executive Committee

Patrick, President

<u>Approve new term for Board Member</u> – Action Item

Action: Approved Dave Ehlers for a new three-year term

<u>Adopt new bylaws</u> – *Action Item, Attachment C.* Kristen reviewed the revisions, has reviewed questions with the lawyer David Atkin, discussed.

Action: Approved replacement bylaws

<u>Project Management Services Contract with BEF</u>- *Action Item, Attachment D.* Kristen - BEF fiscal year April 1 thru March 31. Rate increase. Question is contract size sufficient – Kristen says yes.

Action: Approved contract with BEF for Project Management Services

Offer of Donated Property on Ash Creek – Updates on information gathering Dave describes – agreement of option to purchase; tailored to our purposes, then can try to sell property for owner. We do not own property or assume liability, opportunity to benefit from donation. Have to confirm donor is in agreement. Dave is willing to be point person on this, communicate with city, etc. Possible interest from abutting neighbors and city. Pat will transfer to Dave the property history and other information he has collected. Wendy suggests we maintain hands off position on information, to limit liability. Makes a motion to move forward without incurring any cost or liability. Comment we may have to pay a cost for consultation to protect ourselves. Modified motion to move forward. Approved.

7:54–8:08 <u>Project Review Committee</u> Kristen presents what was done at March 7 meeting. Next proposal to submit for OWEB funding. Looking at delaying submission to Oct 2019 to improve quality of submittal, still for implementation (next) summer 2020. This is still the next proposal to be submitted.

<u>Upper Luckiamute Project Proposal</u> - Action Item, Attachment E

Action: Approved submission of the Upper Luckiamute project for OWEB proposal

8:09 – 8:17 Treasurer and Finance Committee

Dan, Past Treasurer

<u>February Monthly Report</u>- *Attachment F* Dan reviews the report which covers Jul 1, 2018 to Feb 28, 2019.

Wendy wants Mark to put in more detail to identify the month.

8:17–8:23 Executive Director Update

Kristen

ED Updates Points out upcoming events, starting with Rec Fair this Saturday 10am-2pm. Adopt a Road May 4. Bird Walk May 12. Fundraiser Mc McMenamins 3rd St Corvallis after 5pm on May 21, split half of what is spent with Marys River Watershed Council.

8:24 – 8:30 New Business

All present

Kristen - River Design Group is doing drone survey at LSNA (flooding now).

Kirk – suggests put an ad into the Polk County annual booklet to advertise the LWC, make contact with new people.

Kirk also comments on how happy he is to see the LWC so focused and organized, and moving forward, after his experience 14 years ago getting this started, and seeing the wood placement years ago, described in the Upper Luckiamute Project Proposal.

Adjourn 8:30pm

Projects

Application Pending*	Design & Permits	Implementation	Maintenance & Monitoring	Notes
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OWEB Fall 2018 proposals: Temperature Monitoring Ph. 2 and S. Fork Pedee Enhancement ¹	Expand the Benefit Site 2 (Little Luckiamute) Riparian Reveg	REVEG: LSNA Phase III, Expand the Benefit Site 1 (Luckiamute), MMT MW "LP3" Reveg & Fencing, Maxfield Creek Reveg	REVEG: LSNA Phases I & II; Model Watershed Upper Luckiamute Phases I & II; Fencing/Reveg; Ash Creek	1 – Monitoring ranked 1 of 1; S. Fork Pedee ranked #3; both likely funded
Walmart Community Grant Program ²	LSNA Floodplain Reconnection and Revegetation	Upper Ritner Creek Splash Dam Recovery Project	OWEB Small Grants: Ritner Creek Park Enhancement & Willow Staking	2 – Not awarded
Charlotte Martin Foundation – LYW funding, notice in May	MMT Opportunity Grant ³	Love Your Watershed Community Science Series (EnO committee)	OWEB TA - NetMap Modelling and Field Surveys & MW Culvert Assessment	3 – Submitted January 7, 2019, revised Feb. 13, 2019 (see ED update)
	OWEB Small Grants: Woods Creek culvert removal ⁴ , LP3 Fencing / Reveg	OWEB - Knotweed Control Expansion (with ongoing outreach)	MW – Instream Projects: Maxfield Creek Phase II, Side Channel, Bridge Piers Modification; Upper Price Creek, Wolf Creek	4 - Woods Creek Small Grant cancelled due to change in project landowner and scope – to resubmit this summer

Next Meetings/Upcoming Events

- April 13 Watershed Recreation Fair, 10am- 2pm, The Grove Coffee Shop
- April 20 Earth Day Stewardship Event Polk Co. Fire Station
- April 22 Central Lions Club Earth Day Ash Creek Trail Clean up ~11am (TBD)
- April 24 EC meeting, LWC office, 3-5 pm
- April 30 Finance Committee, LWC office, 4-5:30pm
- May 1 Fundraising Committee, LWC office, 3-5pm
- May 2 PRC meeting, Monmouth Public Library, 5:30-7:30pm
- May 4 Adopt-a-Road clean up event, 9am, LSNA Paddlers Access parking lot, Volunteer needed
- May 5 LYW Fundraising Event, Luckiamute Meadows Farm, 2-5pm, RSVP please!
- May 7 Love Your Watershed Action Team, LWC office, 3-4:30pm
- May 9 LWC Board meeting, Location TBD, 7-9 pm
- May 12 Bird Walk, J2E Tree Farm, Alexander Rd., 8am 12pm, registration required
- May 14 EnO Committee meeting, Polk SWCD Office, Dallas, 8:30am 10am
- May 21 McMenamins Friends and Family Night, Corvallis Pub, 3rd St., 5pm to close
- May 29 EC meeting, LWC office, 3-5pm
- June 1 LYW Fundraising Event, Redgate Winery