Luckiamute Watershed Council Meeting Minutes

## **General Member Monthly Meeting**

Location: Volunteer Hall, Monmouth, OR

Date: April 11, 2013 Time: 7:00 to 9:00 pm

#### Attendance:

**Voting board members**: (consensus minus one) George Grosch (at large, President), Karin Nembach (Education, Secretary), Dan Farnworth (Treasurer), Gail Oberst

(Vice Chair), Stephen deGoey (State

General: Kristen Larson (LWC coordinator), Kirk Lewis

*Contractors*: Peter Guillozet (project mgr)

## 7:00 -7:10 pm <u>Call to Order and Introductions</u>

**Meeting Call to Order** 

**Introductions –** Guests and Council Members

Volunteer time and attendance sheet completed

Approval of Minutes: Members reviewed March 2013 minutes.

Changes to the minutes: Kristen – Rob Burns was in the general section but is a voting board member. Treasurer and budget: should read sorting out match funds and Ash Creek water control dist. George G motioned to approve minutes with amendments, Dan D seconded. **Decision:** March 2013 minutes approved.

#### **Business**

# 7:10 – 7:20 pm Wildlife in Managed Forests Karin Nembach, LWC Secretary

Brief review of topics shared at the Society of Am. Foresters one-day training in Albany, OR. Trapping, pest control with non-lethal methods, fish passage, managing elk herds, effects of illegal marijuana growing operations on wildlife, on-line resources for family foresty, etc.

#### 7:20-7:30 Steering Committee Report

Kristen's 6 month probationary review completed.

Proposed Action– Steering Committee recommends increase in Coordinator salary of 3% - effective April 1, 2013. Motion to approve given by Steve deGoey, Gail seconded. No oppositions, motion passes.

Designate Secretary as Secondary Administrator of the LWC bank account

Proposed Action – Amend current operating procedures to include roles and responsibilities of Treasurer as primary bank account administrator and Secretary as secondary account administrator. Motion by Dan Farnworth, Gail seconded, no oppositions, motion passes.

Coordinator Actions- providing legislative testimony, letters of support, etc. without prior council approval– Discussion (carried over from March 2013 mtg), Kristen will communicate with the board if she feels that the board should make the decision instead of her alone, but otherwise will take necessary action without council approval on these matters.

#### 7:30-7:45 pm Coordinator's Report

Kristen

Board Member Position Description- discussion-board feedback (carried over from March Meeting) any proposed edits, or adopt as written? *Proposed Action: Gail proposes acceptance of board member description as written, Steve deGoey seconds, no oppositions, motion passes.* 

Project Manager – annual contract review- Final opportunity for board comments Project Manager – transition – a rare opportunity has come up for our project manager and he needs some time to pursue it. The council supports the work Peter has done so far for the watershed and is completely satisfied with his work. We are working together to plan a smooth and agreeable transition for this time. On another note, Peter will be meeting with Kristen to complete his review process.

Falls City Riparian Revegetation Project (from 2010), letter of support – We will provide a letter.

**Grant Proposals Update** 

7:45 - 7:55 pm

Karin

Ash Creek Riparian Restoration Proposal

Proposed Action – Approve submission of project proposal for riparian revegetation project along the main stem Ash Creek (OWEB Restoration Grant) No objection by the board to submitting approval, Kristen will proceed to do so on April  $22^{nd}$ .

#### 7:55 - 8:00 pm **Projects Update**

Kristen

| Application Pending             | Recruit &<br>Developm<br>ent | Design &<br>Permits | Implementation   | Maintenance &<br>Monitoring | Notes                    |
|---------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------|------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|
|                                 | OWEB -                       |                     |                  |                             | 1 - Kristen will go to   |
|                                 | Knotweed                     |                     |                  |                             | Medford on April 26 to   |
| American Rivers - Side          | Control                      | Side Channel        |                  |                             | present on behalf of the |
| Channel Supplement <sup>2</sup> | Expansion                    | Reconnection        | LSNA Phase II    | LSNA Phase I                | proposal                 |
|                                 |                              |                     | Model Watershed/ |                             |                          |
| ODFW R&E – Knotweed             |                              |                     | Upper Luckiamute | Bridge Piers                |                          |
| Control/Reveg <sup>1</sup>      |                              |                     | Phases I & II    | Modification                | 2 – not awarded          |

| Spirit Mountain        |  |                |  |
|------------------------|--|----------------|--|
| Community Fund, Letter |  |                |  |
| of Inquiry – Knotweed  |  | Maxfield Creek |  |
| Control/Reveg          |  | Phase II       |  |

# 8:00 - 8:10 pm Treasurer and Budget Committee

Dan

Report, Amendments, Biennial budget development, Dan is talking with Cascade Pacific about coming up with a plan to help our records and their records jive a little more regularly.

Proposed Action: Dan moves that the Council Support budget be amended to move \$114.00 from 212-058: Operating Costs: Remaining to 212-058: Operating Costs: Tech Services, to pay for the office laptop computer repair bill. Karin seconds, no oppositions. Motion passes.

Proposed Action- Dan moves that the Council Support budget be amended to move \$97.00 from 212-058: Operating costs: Brochure/signage to 212-058: Operating costs: Conferences and workshops, to cover lodging and meal costs in excess of the 212-058: Operating Cost: Conference item (less an anticipated May expenditure). Steve seconded. No objections. Motion passes.

# **LWC member reports and public comments**

All present

no comments

### **OWEB Self-evaluation - Phase II** - Discussion

Kristen

We worked on the internal workings portion of our self - evaluation for a short time, and it was emphasized that this exercise be a hands-on practice. Kristen agreed to send out the uncompleted portion to the rest of the council members to turn in to her via email since we are coming close to the deadline

## Next Meeting/Upcoming Events-

- April 16 Polk SWCD / NRCS Barn Meeting at the Rogue Chatoe, 6:30 7:30 p.m
  - Meet Zones 3 & 5 (Luckiamute and Ash Creek Zones) SWCD Directors
- **April 25** Steering Committee meeting at the LWC office, 5p.m.
- May 4 9 a.m. Adopt-a-Road clean-up event on Buena Vista Road at the LSNA
- May 9, 2013 next monthly meeting @ Pedee Women's Club

Meeting is adjourned at 9:10 pm