

Luckiamute Watershed Council
Meeting Minutes

General Member Monthly Meeting

Location: Pedee Women's Club, Pedee, OR

Date: May 9, 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), Rob Burns (council member), Kelly Gordon (agriculture),

General: Kristen Larson (LWC coordinator), Bob and Jane Lamb (Monmouth watershed residents), Cliff Hall (model watershed resident- King's Valley), Cliff Bault (Pedee watershed resident), Carol Viera (watershed resident)

Contractors: Peter Guillozet (project mgr)

7:00 -7:10 pm Call to Order and Introductions

Meeting Call to Order

Introductions – Guests and Council Members

Volunteer time and attendance sheet completed

Approval of Minutes: Members reviewed April 2013 minutes.

Changes to the minutes: Make Steve de Goey a representative for the state, add that we worked on the council self-evaluation in April. Minutes approved with amendments.

Business

7:10 – 7: 20 pm Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program Update

Nathan Slaven, CREP Mgr. Polk and N. Benton Counties

Nathan had to cancel due to a personal time conflict. Some of the guests shared their experience with CREP projects on their properties, shared their concerns and questions. Members of the council and our project manager helped answer questions.

**7:20 - 7:45pm LWC Knotweed Expansion Program
LWC project manager**

Peter Guillozet,

Background extent, impact of: stops natural regeneration process of native riparian vegetation by taking over the riverbank/sandbar. Knotweed is there in the summer then leaves in the winter exposing soils to mass waste and erosion because there is no cover vegetation during flood time. Peter provided the current extent of work, treatments, and knotweed infestation, a description of the riparian areas (upstream to downstream confluence with Willamette River), Funding from OWEB, MMT, BEF, Oregon State Weed Board. We want to encourage landowner participation to help control and maintain removal of knotweed along their property now and into the future once this project is complete. Landowner stewardship is the key to keeping

knotweed out of the watershed. We need to renew some landowner agreements. Guests shared their experience with trying to kill it over a period of 15 years.

7:40-7:55 pm Steering Committee Report **George, Chair**

LWC Board member check-in – *all’s well. Hollis needed to resign due to a work conflict, Ron is temporarily unable to attend meetings due to a medical need.*

Project Manager – transition – *discussion with Peter possibly hiring an employee and managing him/her while he is away. The council and Peter are very interested in continuing to work with together once he returns, but we are taking steps to insure a smooth transition in any case.*

Proposed Action – Approve Request for Qualifications to be advertised. Approved by consensus, no oppositions, motion passes.

7:55 – 8:20 pm Coordinator’s report **Kristen, LWC Coordinator**

Grant proposals – *See below for a current list.* OWEB Council Support Grant discussion. Operating cost grant decisions from OWEB, due out mid-June.

Self-evaluation summary – Kristen reviewed what we have left to be completed. **Please turn in the self-evaluation, it is due in June.**

May schedule – *breakdown of Kristen’s schedule in support of the council.*

LSNA Grant Budgets – Supplemental Funding Allocations

Proposed Action – Approve budget amendments and allocations for additional funding for MMT 12070155b and OWEB 212-3999-9932. Karin Nembach motions to approve the changes presented to the budget, and Steve de Goey seconds, no oppositions, motion passes.

8:20-8:30pm Projects Update Peter

| <i>Application Pending</i> | <i>Recruit & Development</i> | <i>Design & Permits</i> | <i>Implementation</i> | <i>Maintenance & Monitoring</i> | <i>Notes</i> |
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| Main Stem Ash Creek Riparian Re-vegetation (OWEB) Submitted 4/22/2013 ³ | OWEB - Knotweed Control Expansion ² | Side Channel Reconnection | LSNA Phase II | LSNA Phase I | 1 – Not awarded |

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| ODFW R&E – Knotweed Control/Reveg [±] | | | Model Watershed/ Upper Luckiamute Phases I & II | Bridge Piers Modification | 2 – Landowner mailout sent; First workshop booked (July 13) |
| | | | | Maxfield Creek Phase II | 3 – Site visit for late May/early June |

8:30 – 8:50 pm Treasurer and Budget Committee

Dan

Budget report

Biennial budget development - *Update*

Budget amendments

Proposed Action I move that the Council support OWEB 212-058: Operating Costs line items be amended to move \$390 from Fees to Legal; \$1824 from Fees to Liability Insurance; \$337 from Fees to RFP; and \$18 from Fees and \$16 from Remianing, a total of \$34, to Telephone and Internet. Dan motions, Gail seconds. No oppositions, motion passes.

LWC member reports and public comments

All present

no comments

Next Meeting/Upcoming Events-

- **May 12** – Institute for Applied Ecology: E.E. Wilson Pond & Prairie Wildflowers Walk (1 p.m., main parking lot, Camp Adair Rd.)
- **May 18** - Weedspotters Training with Benton SWCD and Greenbelt Land Trust (9 – 2); RSVP required
- **May 20** – LSNA tour (5:30 p.m.) and Project Review Committee Meeting (7 p.m.) – LSNA
- **May 21** – Steering Committee meeting at the LWC office, 5p.m.
- **June 13, 2013 – next monthly meeting** – @ Falls City Elementary School – Cafeteria Room (177 Prospect Street, Falls City)

Meeting is adjourned at 8:45 pm