

Luckiamute Watershed Council Board Meeting Minutes

August 11, 2016

Call to Order @ 7:05 p.m.

Present at the meeting:

Dan Farnworth, Treasurer; Gail Oberst, President; Karin Stutzman, Secretary; Dave Ehlers, board member; Kelly Gordon, Vice President; Gail Arkley, board member.

Kristen Larson, Council Coordinator; Sharon Safina, landowner below S. Helmick State Park; Mark Hazelton, landowner Hoskins, Jennifer Beathe, Starker Forests; John Westall, PRC member.

Minutes from July 14, 2016 reviewed and approved.

Public comments: None

Presentation: John Westall went over the PRC's project prioritization and goal setting report. The group discussed different strategies and concerns including: needing on-site review before ranking, promoting projects with a priority on species recovery we have an interest in surviving, and if a member of the LWC proposes a project, they need to submit criteria with supporting data for effectiveness of the project before being ranked, etc.

Presentation: Kristen Larson shared the Wolf Creek Enhancement Project overview and guest Jennifer Beathe provided more information about Starker Forests and their involvement in the project.

The 501c3 application was submitted and the IRS has cashed the check for the fee. Now we wait.

No Treasurer's report presented this month. June's financials are not complete due to staff changes at MRWC.

Coordinator's Report: MRWC Staffing Update- old fiscal manager left and a new one is being hired, MMT Capacity Funding of \$10,000 will be applied to purchase a donor database for LWC fundraising, and possibly also to hire professional grant writers to assist in helping the LWC build more capacity. Polk County Fair is open through Saturday. Thank you to volunteers!

Current projects were discussed.

No new business.

Please complete the board member survey and return to Kristen ASAP.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.