

Jan 14, 2016 Luckiamute W.C. Monthly Meeting

Called to order by Gail Oberst at 7 pm

Gail Oberst, Kristen Larson, Dan Farnworth, Gail Arkley, J.P. Zagarola, Karen Stutzman, Sharon Safina, Rob Burns, Kelly Gordon, Steve DeGoey and Ed Miller (via Skype).

- Previous minutes: approved by consensus
- Board term renewal and resignation
 - Kristen updated the current board member list
 - George had resigned
 - Kelly Gordon and Gail Oberst are renewing their terms
 - Officers elected at previous meeting
 - Terms
 - are staggered and begin in January
 - 3 years for a term
- J.P. Zagarola presented “2015 Project Activities Wrap Up.”
 - Knotweed control and surveying
 - Model Watershed
 - Luckiamute SNA
 - Mainstem Ash Creek Riparian Revegetation Project
 - Jones Site revegetation and enhancement
 - Luckiamute temperature monitoring
 - Rapid Bio-Assessment data digitizing/geo-referencing
 - New projects
- 501(c)3 Transition – Draft process, timeline, and budget
 - Recommend to start at beginning of FY
 - \$2,750 for packet
 - Long process with EIN and IRS question of status and what packet provides
 - Kristen handed out timeline to members with costs (estimated)
 - Gail asked members about pros/cons of becoming 501(c)3
 - Board talks about pros/cons
 - Most, if not all, Board members agree to pursue 501(c)3 status
 - How to proceed with severing ties to Marys River W.C. discussed
 - Board consented to move forward with 501(c)3 status one month ahead of schedule
 - Renegotiate and plan with Mary’s W.C. (transition plan)
 - Gail suggested fundraising committee can delay the major fundraising events but still do smaller fundraisers for now. Delay some non-important stuff.
- Adjust project management services contract S.O.W. with BEF
 - 4 new grants since original contract with PM and original contract terminates in 3 months anyway
 - Proposed Action—approve amendment to PM scope of work for current BEF contract
 - Board approves amendment
- Treasurer’s Report
 - See Dan’s spreadsheets

- Proposed Action
 - Adopt Adjusted Budget for FY '16
 - It requires an amendment
- Amendments approved
- Project Review Committee Report
 - Committee description discussed
 - Strategic Plan discussion
 - PRC Recommendations for Strategic Plan—discussion, attachment G, Part 2
 - Will review at a later date
 - The Board would like to thank John Westall for his detailed review and comments on SP and PRC
- Coordinator's Report:
 - LWC Social Event—discussion of venues and date of event on Doodle poll
 - Nature Conservancy purchased property in northern Polk County. Wants to get education partners, etc. Kristen suggested that Suzanne could be contracted to help at \$40.00 an hour. No response yet.

Meeting adjourned at 9:05 pm.

Notes taken by Steve DeGoey, typed by Dan Farnworth.