



**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA)**

Don introduced himself to the board. He is the new Regional Water Quality Specialist assigned to the North Coast & North Willamette areas. Brief discussion held.

**REPORTS**

- **Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS)**  
Malyssa explained that NRCS' new Small Farm/Organic Specialist, Kacey, will be starting on Monday. Brief discussion was held.
- **Scappoose Bay Watershed Council (SBWC)**  
Deb explained that the fall native plant sale is coming up. The council is also working on a Zoom series over water quality monitoring and will have more volunteer opportunities. Amber explained that Andy has resigned from the council coordinator position. The council plans to bring back Pat Welle until the position is filled. Discussion held.
- **Upper Nehalem Watershed Council**  
Michael said that the council will have a tent at the upcoming Vernonia Salmon Festival and plan to have Claudia the salmon. Michael explained the festival, mentioning that they still haven't seen any salmon in the area yet. Brief discussion held.
- **Lower Columbia River Watershed Council (LCRWC)**  
Malyssa mentioned that the council has hired Henry Franzoni as their new coordinator. They do not have any current projects but are working on grants for funding. Brief discussion was held.
- **SWCD Staff**
  - Crystalyn explained that the Perkins Creek project is wrapping up. The road still needs to be paved and guard rails installed.
  - Amber attended her first CONNECT conference this month. Brief discussion held. She also briefly explained the status of the District's small grants, as well as explained a grant that the District received to purchase a new trailer and tools.
  - Jennifer also attended CONNECT in Seaside. She is continuing to work on the calendar and annual report, as well as assist with payroll and other financial needs.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- **Audit:** Malyssa explained that the audit is currently being worked on. The company performing the audit will visit the office soon to work with Malyssa.
- **2022 Elections:** Malyssa informed the Board that Deb and Michael will be running for the at-large 2 position, but that there are no candidates for zones 1, 3, or 5. Discussion was held.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- **Annual Meeting Date:** Jason read Resolution No. 22/23-01 aloud to the Board.

**Motion: Eagle/Brimacombe** approve that the 2021-2022 Annual Meeting be held January 18, 2023 at 4:00 PM. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

- **District Manager:** Bill explained that the Personnel Committee recommends that the Board appoint Malyssa as District Manager sooner than December. Brief discussion was held. Bill added that the District has been able to manage the current workload without the need of hiring another employee. Malyssa explained that Jennifer has been helping with financials and could assist with bookkeeping while still performing outreach needs. Further discussion was held.

**Motion: Eagle/VanNatta** approve to appoint Malyssa as the permanent District Manager, effective today. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

*Amber left 5:00 PM*

- **Paid Leave**  
Malyssa explained the Paid Leave Oregon policy beginning January 01, 2023. She will keep the Board up-to-date as needed.

**REPORTS (cont.)****BOARD**

- Jeff explained that this has been a very dry summer so we won't be seeing fish until it rains.
- Jason mentioned that the caterpillars have eaten almost all of the tansy ragwort plants on his property this year.
- Bill mentioned that he spoke with Duane Meisner and invited him to attend a board meeting. Bill is also working Halloweentown again this year and is enjoying it.
- No other Board reports.

*VanNatta/Eagle moved to adjourn meeting*

**MEETING ADJOURNED 5:12 PM**

Respectfully Submitted by: *Jennifer Chavez*

**Jennifer Chavez, Outreach Coordinator**

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