

REPORTS

- **NRCS**

Hannah informed the Board that there was one signup this year for programs, but they have already received 30 applications. She is hopeful that this will bring a lot of project and money into the county. She also mentioned that she is beginning to develop CIS's (Conservation Implementation Strategy) and is welcoming any ideas. Hannah added that she is hopeful to have the local work group meeting in February. Brief discussion held.

- **UNWC (Upper Nehalem Watershed Council)**

Michael announced that this year is the 25th Anniversary of the UNWC. They are hopeful to have a celebration next summer.

- **SBWC (Scappoose Bay Watershed Council)**

Nathan explained that the District met with SBWC's new coordinator, Andy Maggi, last week. He added that the council has a nice set of projects lined up near Raymond Creek. He expressed his excitement about the partnership, adding that all of the District's partnerships are going well.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Audit Update:** The district is using a new company this year for their audit. Nathan explained that they seem to be very thorough and predicts the audit will be on time. Brief discussion held. He added that the Directors may receive emails from the company with some questions.
- **RCP (Regional Conservation Partnership Program):** Nathan explained that one of the budgeted RCP projects may lose it's funding due to the landowners looking to go a different route that wouldn't qualify for the funds. The district has a similar project that they would like to propose for the funds, though this would require an amendment, which weighs the risk of not getting approved in time for the funding/new project's construction timeline. Discussion held.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Planting Projects:** Amber explained that the small grant project in Yankton was planted on Monday and that she will be delivering plants to another project site in Rainier next week. The Hazel Rd. project on Milton Creek is in its final stages, with another planting set for the following week. Discussion held.
- **Contracts:** The Board received copies of two contracts:
 - Professional Services Contract for Vegetative Services with Ash Creek Forest Management for the Clatskanie PUD project's bank vegetation maintenance. Contract amount: \$16,850.50
 - Amendment to the Clatskanie PUD Project contract with Aquatic Contracting for the scope of work, timeline and funding approval. Contract extended to December 31, 2022, contract amount: \$59,000.00
 Discussion was held.

Motion Eagle/Brimacombe approve the contracts as presented. Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.

REPORTS (cont.)

- **STAFF**

-Crystalyn explained that she received 30% designs for the Perkin's Creek project which has been forwarded to the engineer. Brief discussion held.

-Selene informed the Board that the District was approached by a mitigation banking company regarding the Port Westward property and their mitigation plan to the Beaver Drainage and Irrigation District. Discussion held.

BOARD

- Bill mentioned that he would like to see signs at the District's project sites. Brief discussion held.
- Deb attended the OACD (Oregon Association of Conservation Districts) virtual conference last week, adding that there was a lot of great information. Brief discussion held.
- Sonia informed the Board that the OSU Extension office has an open forester position, requesting that it be shared.

Eagle/ Brimacombe moved to adjourn meeting

MEETING ADJOURNED 5:37 PM

Respectfully Submitted by: *Jennifer Chavez*

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