

**Polk Soil and Water Conservation District
Board Meeting Minutes
February 08, 2017**

Polk SWCD Office-NRCS Conference Room
580 Main Street, Suite A, Dallas OR 97338

In Attendance:

Directors

David Simmons (Chair)
Chad Woods (Vice-Chair)
Mike Wilson
Matt Crawford
David McKibben
Frank Pender

Staff

Karin Stutzman (Manager)
Tom Wilson (Office Admin)

Directors Emeritus/Associates/Guests

Sue Reams (NRCS)
Mel Chase (Associate)

BOARD MEETING

CALL TO ORDER – David Simmons, Chair, called the Board Meeting to order at 6:02 PM.

INTRODUCTIONS- Introductions of all individuals were made.

PUBLIC COMMENT-none

ACTION ITEMS

REVISED AGENDA: *Pender moved, McKibben 2nd to accept the revised agenda as presented. No Discussion; passed by unanimous vote.*

APPOINT DIRECTORS EMERITI: *Pender moved, Woods 2nd to appoint the following people as Directors Emeriti: Jim Clawson, Terry Lamers, Brian Sparks, Tom Thomson, and Lois Loop. No Discussion; passed by unanimous vote*

JANUARY'S TREASURER'S REPORT (see attachment A): *Discussion regarding LGIP account. Woods asked to move \$100,000 to OSU State Credit Union, and check Umpqua bank's rate. Woods moved, Pender 2nd to accept the January treasurer's report as presented. No Discussion; passed by unanimous vote.*

JANUARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES (see attachment B): Clerk Wilson noted that he forgot to list Sue Reams as present at the last meeting. *Woods moved, Crawford 2nd, to accept the January 2017 board meeting minutes as amended, adding Sue Reams. Pender, McKibben abstained due to being absent. No Discussion; passed by unanimous vote.*

APPROVE BUDGET CALENDAR (see attachment C) *Pender moved, Wilson 2nd to accept the budget calendar as modified, changing May 3rd for May 17th. No Discussion; passed by unanimous vote.*

RECREATIONAL IMMUNITY RIGHTS RESOLUTION: (see attachment D): *Discussion of the law and current legal ruling. Pender moved, Crawford 2nd to accept resolution 072-020817 as presented. Pender wants is sent to the state legislators; passed by unanimous vote.*

DISCUSSION

FEBRUARY 23 WORK SESSION UPDATE: By Consensus the board decided 2/23/2017 from 9a-11a in the SWCD Office.

BUDGET COMMITTEE UPDATE: (see attachment E): Baker and Thomson have renewed. Director Wilson will replace Gordon. *Discussion regarding the budget process.* Director Wilson would like to see last year's work plan for a reference.

OACD LOWER WILLAMETTE BASIN MEETING (see attachment F): Stutzman explained the basin meeting will be meeting 3 times a year. *Discussion regarding partnerships, the role of the basin meeting, and solar panel siting.*

INFORMATION

CALENDAR (see attachment I): Information only

NPS UPDATE (see handout #1): Clerk Wilson explained the plant sale made money this year. 85% of plants were sold during the presale.

COMMITTEE UPDATE (see handout #2): Information only, will discuss and assign next meeting.

REPORTS

NRCS – Reams said the LWG (Local Working Group) meeting was very productive. Stutzman will use the information to help find solutions for water storage. *Discussion regarding the Water Resource Dept.* Reams explained that the group would like to see more on irrigation efficiency and forest health. She stated there are 3 EQIP applications for forestry, 2 vineyards in the Conservation Stewardship Program, and 3 RCPP applications that have been approved this round for this county. Reams has agreed to be the acting DC for another 120 days.

WATERSHED COUNCILS

Glenn-Gibson- working on self-assessment and work plan for new biennium. Coordinator Hunt has been working on the Eola Hills Ridge Park.

Greater Yamhill- none

Rickreall- same as Glenn-Gibson.

Luckiamute- none

STAFF (see attachment Z) – info only. Simmons asked about Ag-Fest, and Stutzman replied S. Finegan was not planning anything for this year. *Discussion regarding Outdoor School Funds.* Rural Living in Polk County Handbook will be ready by next month and Stutzman said she is working with extension on a joint quarterly newsletter.

DIRECTORS-

Simmons- described the ODFW effort to raise money. They will look at new "sin" taxes.

Woods- none

Crawford- lots of flooding in places that don't usually flood.

Wilson- none

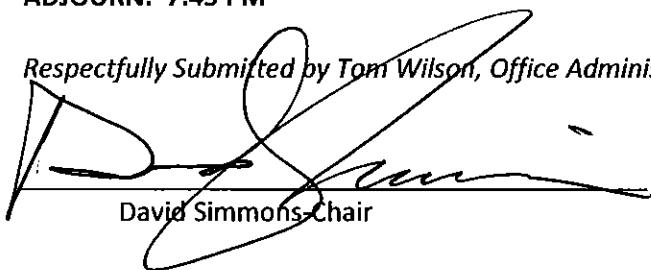
Pender – county is trying to retain the wall of a mudslide near his property. Behind in his various meetings due to previous inclement weather.

McKibben - feeding deer to keep them off his crops. Cougars maybe causing problems with deer population.

Chase- none

ADJOURN: 7:45 PM

Respectfully Submitted by Tom Wilson, Office Administrator, Feb. 09th, 2017.



David Simmons-Chair

March 8, 2017
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