



Coos Soil & Water Conservation District
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Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2024
(Approved December 5, 2024)

Regular Meeting was called to order at 5:09PM

Board members present at office: Mark Villers, Ernie Newton, Adela Villers, Cindy Gant

Board members present on Zoom/Telephone:

Absent board members: Michael Clary

Staff present in office: Caley Sowers, Modena Thomas, Abigail Richards

Staff present on Zoom:

Guests present in office: Jonathon Morse, Chris Claire (ODFW), Barbara Grant (Curry SWCD)

Guests present on Zoom: Reg Pullen

5:09PM Mark called the meeting to order.

5:09PM Jonathan asked questions.

- Discussed time commitments
- Discusses liability – informed him that he would receive training from ODA explaining everything.

5:14PM Mark asked for comments on the minutes.

5:17PM Chris asked Caley a question regarding the minutes

5:17PM Adela motioned to approve October 24, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes. Ernie seconded. Motion carried

5:21PM Finance Report – Caley

- Payment for Cunningham
- Working on funds request
- Will table actual finance report until December 5, 2024 meeting

5:25 District Audit

- Caley discussed the audit. She set up an appointment to have it explained to her.
- Was sent to Seth Fandel to look over as well.
- Page 5 – General fund is different than what we consider general fund.
- Close to what Fandel stated had passed through our bank account (\$1.3 million).
- Fandel stated it was a legal process to look for fraud.
- Caley showed the board the parts of the audit that she did not understand.
- Caley read page 12 to the board regarding compliance.

- Mark asked for any other questions.

5:40PM Caley informed the board that she was asked to talk at the ODFW Commission in Salem, OR

5:42PM Cindy motioned to accept the Audit by Grimstad & Associate. Adela seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

5:42PM Appoint new Board Member – Jonathan Morse

- Modena will ask Sandi Hiatt about when he must participate in the election. Whether it is 2 years or 4 years.
- Chris gave a positive opinion of Jonathan.

5:48PM Mark Villers sworn Jonathan Morse onto the Coos SWCD Board of Directors.

- **Jonathan Morse signed the Oath of Office**
- **Mark Villers signed the Oath of Office**

5:51PM Caley's Vacation

- Caley would like two weeks off December 18th through January 2nd.

5:53PM Ernie motioned to approve Caley's vacation. Cindy seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

5:55PM Mark adjourned the meeting.

Signature of the Chairman

Date

Submitted by:

Caley Sowers

Date