

Calapooia Watershed Council

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Mission: Providing opportunities for membership to cooperate in promoting the health of the watershed and its communities.

Calapooia Watershed Council Meeting Minutes

Calapooia Watershed Council (CWC) Board of Directors and Council members held their monthly meeting at the Brownsville Community Room, Brownsville, Oregon, on May 12, 2010 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

Present at the meeting were the following members of the Board of Directors:

Bud Baumgartner	John Perry
Frank Lamb	Connie Burdick
Mark Running	Dee Swayze
Roger Ruckert	Matthew Fiorito

Absent from the meetings were the following members of the Board of Directors:

Dave Furtwangler

A quorum (8) was established for this informational meeting.

Also present at the meeting were:

Tara Davis	Erika Lang	Jason McAfee
Pamela Archer	Sarah Dyrdaahl	John Marble
John Joiner	Denise Hoffert-Hay	Cris Kostol
Peter Jensen	Tim Otis	Kim Kagelaris
George Pugh	John Joiner	
Jim Wagner	Patty Linn	

On behalf of the CWC Secretary, contracted Program Assistant, Pamela Archer, recorded the minutes.

AGENDA ITEM: Introductions, Announcements

Fun Forest named state tree farmer of the year in 2009, recently they were named western regional winner. They will compete for the national tree farmer award. Jim Cota, Robbie Melcher and Scott Melcher are the owners from Sweet Home. Several properties are within the Calapooia watershed, and they are now a member of the council. There will be a tour of Fun Forest on June 26th, more details to come.

AGENDA ITEM: Public Comment/Board of Directors Comment

DISCUSSION:

None.

AGENDA ITEM: Approve April 2010 meeting minutes

Corrections: none

Decision: Minutes approved

Presentation: Calapooia Watershed Council Annual Meeting May 12th 2010

- 2009-2010 Board of Directors
 - Bud Baumgartner, Co-Chair
 - Mark Running, Co-Chair

- Connie Burdick, Secretary, Treasurer
- Dave Furtwangler
- Dee Swayze
- John Perry
- Frank Lamb
- Matthew Fiorito
- Roger Ruckert
- Thanks to all the board members for their dedication and assistance!
- Executive Director Update
 - Profit & Loss 2005-Current
 - 2010-2011 - Programs, Phases & Funding: council operations, director, travel, supplies; regional program/landowner recruitment; noxious weed control program; fish passage improvements/dam removals; floodplain and channel habitat enhancement/middle reach; floodplain and channel habitat enhancement/Albany area
 - Looking Ahead...
 - OWEB Council Support Grant, 2011-2013 (Application Due January 2011)
 - Development of Albany Area Floodplain & Instream Habitat Restoration Projects
 - Muddy Creek Dialogue and Evaluation
 - Landowner Recruitment & Monitoring Program developed in “Model Sub-basins” and “Control Sub-basins”
 - Removal of the Last Two Dams, Summer 2011!!
- Calapooia-Santiam Collaboration: Update on Model Tributary Outreach and Project Development/Implementation, by Erika Lang & Sarah Dyrdaahl
 - Courtney Creek Year in Review
 - Outreach
 - Mailers (149 residents)
 - Phone calls (lots!)
 - March community meeting
 - 15 attended
 - 8 interested, but couldn't attend
 - 4 not interested
 - Site visits – 5 completed, more scheduled
 - Project development
 - Implementation: First riparian planting - Winter 2010!
 - Want to have a meeting with board members to determine strategy for Courtney creek
 - Plans for coming year: Outreach
 - Strategy Development: Where to focus and what types of projects?
 - Potential need for survey to understand hydrology
 - Agriculture working group
 - Gap Road Area
 - Upper Reach
 - Spring Restoration Tour Courtney Creek sub-basin: Saturday, May 22, 2010
 - Site Visits – current and ongoing

- Fall workshop with OSU Extension, other partners on best management practices, pasture management, weed removal
 - Plans for this coming year: Riparian Maintenance – NEW!
 - Regional maintenance on existing restoration projects (Up to 29 total, 7 in CW)
 - Integrated pest management (IPM) of noxious weeds
 - Summer irrigation
 - Start in May 2010 – through summer
 - Seek additional funding for additional years
 - Plans for this coming year: Project Development & Implementation
 - Landowner Recruitment for Restoration – 7 landowners in each watershed
 - Project types:
 - Weed control – summer & fall 2010
 - Fencing - summer
 - Riparian planting – winter 2011
 - Grassed waterways – next summer
 - Recruitment for USDA programs (i.e. CREP): 10 out of 15 landowners recruited and more interested.
- Sodom/Shearer Dam Removals and Channel Restoration Project Update, Denise Hoffert-Hay, Project Manager
 - Schedule Updates
 - Sodom AND Shearer Dams will be removed in Summer 2011.
 - Funding was not released from Oregon Parks and Recreation Department in time for this year’s construction window.
 - Have secured funding for both projects to be implemented in 2011
 - CWC is working on Sodom and Shearer because they are fish passage barriers and deal with water supply for watershed residents. The other dams are the property of and are under the management of OPRD
 - OPRD has contracted with RDG to develop an alternate water delivery system for the Mills.
 - May Tech Team Meeting
 - Update on design
 - Update on monitoring and maintenance agreement
 - Work to be completed Summer 2010
 - Archaeological study of the project area, evaluation of the dams and ditch under NRHP (contracted archaeologist)
 - Field survey for T & E plant species (USFWS staff)
 - Wetlands impacts study (contracted wetlands scientist)
 - Pre-implementation monitoring (OSU Graduate Student Cara Walters)
 - Additional details on project design, modeling, field data collection (RDG). OWEB wants Year 2 and Year 3 monitoring proposal.
 - Upcoming Meeting
 - If you wish to be added to the project’s mailing list, please email or call me. 541-619-5896 or hoffertthay@peak.org
 - Final Tech Team meeting: June 29, 2010 (have been meeting since Nov. 2008)
 - Council Site Visit

- Is there interest in a field trip to the dams and Thompson’s Mills for Council members?
 - Either this summer or in fall?
- Noxious Weeds, Reach 3, Council Outreach Projects update, Pamela Archer
 - Calapooia Noxious Weed Program
 - Resource Advisory Committee presentation for TII USFS funding
 - Upper watershed tour in May
 - In outreach phase for Knotweed
 - Upper 46 miles in 2009
 - Include lower 18 miles in 2010
 - Reach 3 Projects
 - Submitted permits April 29th
 - Developing landowner agreements June 2010
 - Project implementation August/September 2010
 - Council Outreach
 - Continued web development
 - Web-based email list serve
 - Central Linn Outdoor School
- Council Upcoming events:
 - May 22—Tour of Brush and Courtney Creeks
 - June 9—Business Meeting only
 - June 11—Fundraiser @ Calapooia Brewery Atrium

Comments: Jim Wagner: City of Tangent going through surface water planning project. Watershed council participated with City of Tangent. Will become part of comprehensive city plan. Will help improve water quality, may not see results in 5-10 years, but will help with future construction.

AGENDA ITEM: Board of Directors nominations.

Because of the Council’s non-profit status, it is now a director-oriented organization. There are 11 2-year positions recognized in bylaws. 6 positions expire this year. 1 of those positions will fill the 1 year appointment vacated by Lance Gatchell.

Are willing to stay on board: Bud Baumgartner, Connie Burdick, John Perry, Roger Ruckert, and Dee Swayze.

Two new folks nominated and agreed to serve: George Pugh, Jason McAfee.

DECISION: Bud Baumgartner, Connie Burdick, John Perry, Roger Ruckert, and Dee Swayze re-appointed to board. George Pugh appointed to 2-year position. Jason McAfee appointed to 1 year position.

AGENDA ITEM: Peter Jensen Award-- John Marble and Cris Kostol

John Marble and Cris Kostol were presented with the 2010 Peter Jensen award. Both helped with the establishment of the Calapooia Watershed Council and programs. There are many people who are deserving of this award, but John and Cris were instrumental in the Council’s early years (and today). John helped with the Brush Creek landowner outreach program. Cris helped with initial formation and organization of the Council.

Peter Jensen (Year 1 recipient), Mike Nehls (Year 2 recipient)

AGENDA ITEM: Summer meeting schedule

At a minimum suggest management committee meetings, and a few board meetings.

DECISION:

June 9th, just have management committee only.

July 14th full board meeting. New board member orientation 1 hour before.

No august meeting.

AGENDA ITEM: Fiscal Reports—handouts.

Several reports for the fiscal year. Have fiscal policy on board oversight

No concern on meeting payroll in next few months.

DECISION: Board reviewed budget summary for 1/1/2010 through May 2010 and E.D. has no concerns.

DECISION: Board will review fiscal reports on a quarterly basis and follow fiscal policy outlined in Council policy manual. E.D. will provide hard copies of fiscal reports in advance of meeting.

AGENDA ITEM: Upcoming Events

Fundraiser June 11th

The Councils are reducing the number of items for the silent auction. This meeting will substitute for one of the quarterly regional meetings with all three councils board meeting.

Headwaters tour—date TBD

As an FYI, the 14 mile Weyerhaeuser Company mainline road is now closed to the public. USFS gave up control of Calapooia mainline road. For the record, Weyerhaeuser is committed to the watershed and watershed council, as they own 35,000 acres in the headwaters area.

Council members requested to have a stop on the tour with as much of a watershed view as possible. They would like to see some Weyerhaeuser restoration areas and riparian areas. Also, show a problem area and an area where have completed restoration. Visit a fish friendly culvert replacement. Biggs creek 10' culvert with wood structures inside culvert to create riffles. High velocity 12-14% culverts.

Tributary Tour—May 22nd

Courtney and Brush Creek tours May 22 meet at 1pm at Mark's shop.

AGENDA ITEM: Sodom/Shearer Project Monitoring and Maintenance Plan

At the June management committee meeting, the council will need to discuss monitoring and maintenance plan—need to have council make decision on what their future level of involvement will be.

Comment: Peter: local landowners are looking toward the watershed council to represent them in this process.

OPEN DISCUSSION: None

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:20 p.m. The next Calapooia board meeting will be June 9th in the Brownsville Community Room at 7pm.

READ AND APPROVED by the Board of Directors on _____, 2010

Secretary