

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 September 14, 2011 beginning at 7:00 p.m.

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

Bud Baumgartner	Connie Burdick
Mark Running	John Joiner
Dave Furtwangler	
Dee Swayze	
George Pugh	
Matthew Fiorito	

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

Joe Graville
Roger Ruckert
Caitlin Coberly

Also present at the meeting were:

Tara Davis	Denise Hoffert-Hay
Denise Lott	Erika Lang
Peter Jensen	Whitney Smith
Kim Kalgalaris	Eric Marble

On behalf of the CWC Secretary, Operations Coordinator, Denise Lott recorded the minutes.

AGENDA ITEM: Introductions, Announcements

CWC summer interns Eric Marble and Whitney Smith introduced themselves to the council. Eric's main task was fish habitat project development in Brush Creek, utilizing the 2006 Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) stream habitat surveys for Brush and Childers creeks, as well as other CWC GIS data. Whitney coordinated the fish passage celebration, assisted Tara Davis with a youth outreach grant proposal and assisted Denise Lott with council operations. Both Eric and Whitney were very helpful to the staff moving their office to its new location at 136 Spaulding Ave.

AGENDA ITEM: Public Comment/Board of Directors Comment

Tara Davis thanked both Eric and Whitney for doing a phenomenal job completing the scope of work assigned to each of them. Bud Baumgartner also complimented Whitney for doing a great job as the event coordinator for the council's fish passage celebration.

AGENDA ITEM: Decision: Approved June 2011 Minutes.

AGENDA ITEM: Update Sodom/Shearer Dam Removals

Denise Hoffert-Hay gave a presentation updating the council on the Sodom and Shearer Dam Removal Projects, and the construction progress to date. The Shearer Dam Removal Project is now complete. The Sodom Dam removal is complete, and work continues on the channel restoration part of the project. For more information see the link “daily dam removal footage” located on our homepage at www.calapooia.org.

AGEND ITEM: Council Business

- Reviewed FY11 end of year financial reports and the new FY12 projected annual fiscal budget.
- Decision: Annual budget approved.
- CWC rated excellent once again in its bi-annual review by OWEB. The current bi-annual award will be in effect for the next 4 years. The process for submitting future grant proposals for council support will require submitting a 1 year work plan, 1 year budget and annual financial statements.

AGENDA ITEM: CWC 2011-2013 Work Plan

- Executive Director Tara Davis passed out hand-outs to the members outlining the work plan and measureable outcomes. Projects include: Dam Removal and Monitoring, Regional Partnership and Model Watershed Program, Albany-Calapooia Restoration and Conservation Program, Fish Passage Barrier Removal throughout Calapooia Watershed, Noxious Weed Control Program, and Organizational Development.
- Discussion: Suggestions by members were to develop short and long term goals, take to next level of specification, and evaluate progress. It was also suggested that the council identify high priority areas.
- Co-Chairman, Bud Baumgartner would like to see emphasis in the Albany-Calapooia area, specifically Simpson Park, Talking Gardens and Oxbow Lakes. There are lots of opportunities and should be a major focus.
- October meeting continue discussion. Go over priorities and decide if we want to keep our focus small. Questions: What does the watershed need? How can we best service the watershed? Do we need to focus more on Education? What do we want to teach?

The meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:07 pm. The next Calapooia council meeting: October 12th in the Brownsville Community Room from 7-9 pm.

READ AND APPROVED by the Board of Directors on _____, 2011

Secretary