



**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comment.

**REPORTS**

- **NRCS:** Report: Kacey is leaving on 11/6. New Soil Con on December 4, 2023. She will try to introduce him at the December meeting. More guidance on how to spend the giant IRA budget. Can spend it on all land uses, certain practices only. Getting more applications
- **Upper Nehalem Watershed Council (UNWC):** They are having their meeting tomorrow hybrid. All invited to attend.
- **SBWC:** Rachell said they are having a forum on 11/8 at 4 pm to discuss developing a Shade our Streams program. Trying to get LCEP and Clackamas WC to speak about their programs and what it could look like here. Planting in Veterans park on Veterans Day for public.
- **SWCD Staff: Malysa:** Michael and she went to OACD conference. Lots of good updates on funding, legislature etc..... Had a District Manager's round table that was nice. Working on the audit. Auditor will be out on 11/2 to do some work. Jennifer had baby on 9/25 and should be back from maternity leave in early January. Rachell had questions about committees that SWCD is forming. Wants to know if she can be a part of the contracting committee. Malysa told her to contact Selene. Indigenous plant committee? That was not brought up. Michael wants to have an equity statement and land acknowledgment.  
**Crystalyn:** Education boxes starting to go out. Applying for oak restoration project.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- **Contracting Committee:** Committee has been meeting. New contracting rule updates. **Motion Brimacombe/VanNatta** to update rules using Resolution 23/24-02. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote**

**NEW BUSINESS**

- **Director eligibility:** New Senate bill. All zone directors must be registered voters and resign in the districts they are representing and own 10 acres. Dave will not be able to be a director in zone 4 because he lives in zone 3, according to his mailing address. Malysa will need to contact Dave to confirm. The change would be effective January 1, 2024. Zone 4 is the City of St. Helens. Dave could be at large director if Bill became the zone 4 director, would just need to do a conservation plan for him. The manager from EMSWCD is talking with her neighbor who is involved in drafting this bill because it makes it harder for people to become directors. Could also realign our Board to be a 5-person board, 3 people would be a quorum. One board member per watershed and then 2 at large. Jason asks what happens to SWCDs who lose too many board members like Tillamook? How do they continue to function if they only have 4 members? Malysa said she doesn't know, no good answers right now.
- **Update Senior Resource Con Job Description:** This person will be handling contracting and easements for the SWCD to give that person authority to handle these things. Looking at potential easements for Carr Slough or Meissner property. Adding these things into the Senior Resource job description. **Motion VanNatta/Brimacombe** to update job description. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote**

- **Annual Meeting Date Resolution:** Malyssa read resolution. Annual meeting is scheduled for January 17, 2024, **Motion Brimacombe/VanNatta** to approve Annual Meeting using Resolution 23/24-01 **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

**BOARD REPORTS**

- None

***MEETING ADJOURNED AT 4:43 PM***

Respectfully Submitted by: *Crystalyn Bush*  
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