

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

REPORTS

- **NRCS**
Hannah explained that the 2022 contracting is complete, with over \$300k more funding than last year. She is hopeful that the forestry program will be approved to expand to the Vernonia area. Brief discussion was held.
- **Upper Nehalem Watershed Council (UNWC)**
Michael explained that the council's Annual Meeting was postponed. It is now scheduled for May 26th, both in person and virtual.
- **SWCD Staff**
-Crystalyn provided a brief update on the Perkins Creek project, with construction expected to begin late July. She also mentioned that the District was awarded funding for three weed grants. Discussion held.
-Amber added that the District has also been invited to assist Rainier elementary with an outdoor lesson, and asked if Deb would be interested. Brief discussion was held.
-Selene mentioned that she will have a presentation at the next Board Meeting over the Carr Slough project. Discussion held.

OLD BUSINESS

- **IT Services:** Malysa raised some concerns regarding changing the District's IT service that was approved at a recent Board Meeting. Discussion held.
Motion: VanNatta/Eagle to approve continuing using More Power Technology as the District's IT provider, and to issue a "thank you" message to the other contractor for bidding. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.**
- **Credit Card:** Malysa explained that the main issue with having the US Bank credit card was that there wasn't a way to pay/see charges online. However, after speaking with a representative, she was able to resolve this issue. Brief discussion held.
Motion: Eagle/Freytag to approve keeping the current credit card with its modified form as discussed. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.**
- **Audit:** Malysa explained that the District has a two-year agreement with the company who performed the audit last year. Brief discussion held.
- **Board Mileage:** Brief discussion held regarding what directors would like to receive mileage reimbursement. Malysa will email the sign-up sheet to Sonia and Jason.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Adopt Budget for 2022/23 FY:** Resolution No. 21/22-02 was read aloud.
Motion: Eagle/VanNatta to approve Resolution No. 21/22-02 to adopt the approved budget of \$2,928,035.00, and the tax levy of \$0.10 per \$1,000. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.**
- **June Meeting Date:** The next Board Meeting is currently scheduled for Wednesday, June 15, but Malysa has a pre-planned vacation and will be out of the office. Brief discussion held.
Motion: Eagle/VanNatta to approve postponing June's Board Meeting to the following Wednesday (June 22nd) at 4PM. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.**
- **Staff Reviews/COLA:** Malysa explained that she plans to perform staff reviews within the next couple weeks. She would like to discuss the COLA adjustment so that the adjustment can be made July 1st if approved. Discussion was held.
Motion: Eagle/VanNatta to approve the 4% COLA increase. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.** Bill mentioned that he thinks this is a small increase. Brief discussion held.

- **Malysa authorization to sign RCPP (Regional Conservation Partnership Program) documents:** Malysa explained that she spoke with Leo regarding the closing -out process for projects. She needs to be approved to sign documents now that she is the interim manager.
Motion: Eagle/VanNatta to approve Malysa to sign RCPP documents as of tonight (5-18-22). **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.**
- **Contracts:** Crystalyn and Amber explained the contracts presented to the Board. Brief discussion held.
Motion: VanNatta/Eagle to approve the Professional Services contract for weed treatments and data collection for \$23,610. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.**
Motion: VanNatta/Freytag to approve the Professional Services contract for maintenance and property repairs on the SWCD building for \$20,000. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

REPORTS (cont.)

BOARD

-Jeff discussed the current weather we have been having.

-Deb explained that she has applied for the District to have a space at the upcoming Fair. She mentioned that the plan is to invite the Watershed Councils to join. She also discussed the plans for outreach for volunteers and associate directors. Brief discussion held. Bill would like to see name tags when individuals are representing the District at public events.

-No other Board reports.

VanNatta/Freytag moved to adjourn meeting

MEETING ADJOURNED 5:34 PM

Respectfully Submitted by: *Jennifer Chavez*

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