

Public Comment

Jerry introduced himself to the board. Brief discussion was held.

REPORTS

- **NRCS**

Hannah introduced Stacey Cooper, NRCS Organic and Small Farms Specialist. She also encouraged the board to contact her or Stacey with any questions or leads that NRCS could assist with.

- **UNWC**

Michael explained that the council had a table at the Vernonia Salmon Festival. He also mentioned that the council discussed issues at Fishhawk lake at their last board meeting. Michael added that he is now the chairman of the council's board of directors. Brief discussion held.

OLD BUSINESS

- **PUD Project Update:** Selene shared photos from the Clatskanie People's Utility District project, explaining the work that has been completed so far. She mentioned that there are still a few minor tasks to be done, but that the project is nearly completed. Discussion was held.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Ruley Trail Pilot Project:** Crystalyn explained that she and Amber are working on a pilot planting project on Crown Zellerbach Trail in Scappoose. She has been discussing the project with various partners who also seem excited. Crystalyn explained that they first plan to focus on the large ditches along the roadsides, as well as add a pollinator garden near the parking lot where the district already has a native plant sign. The district is hopeful that this project will kick off their volunteer program as well as build new and current partnerships with similar future work. Discussion was held.
- **OACD Election Ballot:** Nathan informed the Board that the Oregon Association of Conservation Districts will be hosting their Annual Meeting November 9th & 10th. Discussion was also held regarding OACD's ballot for the 2021 Board Election.

Motion Eagle/Freytag approve Karin Stutzman for the Northwest region and Justin Ferrell for the Southwest region. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

Nathan informed the Board that he will fill out the form and return it to Jan.

- **Cooperators:** Eric & Pam Gantenbein

Motion Eagle/Freytag to accept new cooperators as presented. **Approved Motion passed by unanimous vote.**

REPORTS (cont.)

- **BOARD**

-Bill has been volunteering with Halloweentown, taking guests out to Nob Hill Nature Park. Brief discussion was held.

-Sonia recently went on a fishing trip with her husband on the Columbia. Brief discussion held.

- **STAFF**

-Crystalyn mentioned that she has received the preliminary designs for the Perkin's Creek project.

-Amber explained that the Small Grant team is up and running again, and that she is the Lower Columbia River team lead. The team is excited to have several projects lined up to submit.

-Selene gave a brief update on the Regional Conservation Partnership Program (RCP) projects.

-Nathan added that he would like to discuss the Carr Slough acquisition at next month's meeting. He also mentioned that the District plans to donate a gift basket to the Toy & Joy auction. Brief discussion held.

-Brief discussion was also held regarding NRCS' local work group. Hannah would like the meeting to have a set yearly date.

Eagle/Freytag moved to adjourn meeting
MEETING ADJOURNED 5:05 PM

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