

North Coast Watershed Association  
Board of Directors Meeting  
Minutes for July 17, 2019  
Astoria Office

Members present: Ty Williams, Tessa Scheller, Mark Garrigues, Melissa Reich rep for NCLC, Carla Cole

Guest: Jan Siebert-Wahrmund, NCWA Coastal Council

Staff: Brooke Stanley, Executive Director

We gathered with pizza and began the informational part of the meeting without a quorum but welcomed our two guests.

Financial Report documents prepared by our accountant were presented with detail provided by Brooke.

Public Comment: Jan Siebert-Wahrmund from the NCWA Coastal Council read a letter regarding a 170 acre timber sale on property near Hug Point and highway 101. The suggestion by Jan and some coastal council members is to essentially consider cooperative management of the piece for a larger marbled murrelet habitat rather than log it. We had a brief discussion and a response from a couple of board members with no formal action taken. Tessa thanked Jan for bringing the letter to the board and noting our mission includes acting as a forum for ideas and issues that impact watersheds.

The River Watershed Council will meet Aug 6th. 6-7:30 is the scheduled time with the exact place in Astoria to be determined as we discussed several options including restaurants.

Brooke posted notice of her open position to the OWEB email list, the coordinators list serve, our email list and with notice to a few individuals. Brooke noted some local Oregon based folks that may be interested that have current experience as watershed coordinators. The first suggested date for reviewing applicants is July 22. We discussed a hiring committee with Tessa, Carla and Melissa offering to be part of that committee and be available the week of August 5th.

Carla Cole arrived at 1655 and assumed the chair position with a quorum now present as Melissa is serving in Katie Voelke's position representing NCLC. Minutes of our past two meetings were approved without dissent but with a spelling correction.

Brooke led a discussion of her list of current and upcoming grants and the status of related reports. She anticipates being able to assist with many of these grant reports before leaving. She detailed new project grants as well and feels we are in a good place to continue these efforts as we bring a new Executive Director on board.

New BOD meeting times are likely to be daylight meetings but we await the survey data from board members. Bylaws will begin to be addressed with Brooke sending out the current bylaws for review. Some policies and the employee manual will also need to be updated along with our website. OWEB and County maps depicting watershed councils may also need to be updated to reflect the new names and boundaries.

We accepted Katie Voelke's resignation and Tessa nominated Melissa Reich for that open position representing NCLC with Ty seconding and all in favor. Melissa was welcomed to the Board.

We adjourned at 1738

Respectfully submitted,  
Tessa J Scheller, Secretary