

North Coast Watershed Association
Board of Directors
Meeting Minutes for October 9, 2019 (draft)
Canon Beach City Hall

Members Present: Chris Farrar, Ty Williams, Mark Garrigues, Carolyn Probst, Mellisa Reich and Tessa Scheller

Absent: Carla Cole, Mike Seppa

Staff Present: Jane Harris, ED

Guest: Brooke Stanley

Chris called the meeting to order at 4:05 and called for introductions all around with a special welcome to Jane Harris, our new ED. Jane noted her thanks to all and especially to Brooke for her gracious assistance with this transition. Chris noted an Oct 17, 3:00 PM, Forester Presentation from ODF regarding the Forest Practices Act at 800 Exchange Street, Rm 430.

Agenda accepted without comment.

Tessa read the minutes aloud and then offered a motion to “approve as presented,” Mark seconded with all in favor.

Treasurers/Financial Report: Jane provide brief detail regarding the written report and we discussed the frequency of reports to be submitted. Consensus agreement for having access to all relevant reports with Jane asking for monthly reports.

Coast Council: Carolyn reported working with the City of Canon Beach regarding beaver management concerns that impact the City and the Forest Reserve. She noted the Plan will likely include funds from Greenwood Industries of \$10K. The team is looking at a more comprehensive and consolidated project scope with multiple parameters to consider and Highway 101 at risk. Our discussion noted some relevant folks, agencies and challenges involved.

River Council: Tessa read the minutes from the previous meeting aloud by way of a report and noted good attendance with voting membership yet TBD.

Partner Reports: Mark provide information regarding the Moos Moos Project woody debris placement. Ty noted that Noah, USFWS biologists, will lead a field tour on ODF property.

Executive Directors Report: Jane noted a Pacific Power contribution to the Mill Creek Project with the final report in process. She reported meeting with many people including CREST folks who suggested available funds for that project could be applied to more planting with ODF assistance. The Upper Mill Ck project was discussed with design and staffing concerns noted and the grant to be resubmitted. She noted her plan to attend the upcoming Tansy Pt Tribal Meeting and we discussed the flood plain, confluence of Alder and Tansy Creeks and the tidegate connection to the Columbia River at that site. Jane noted her plan to hire Kelli to continue the water quality monitoring field work. We discussed the submission process for OWEB monitoring grants and the punctuality they expect. We understand that ODEQ Staff assists, along with other partners, in providing support for their reports. Jane and Brooke noted the Starfish Presentation at Nature Matters (Ft George) for Oct 10.

Member Reports: Tessa reported on the Skipanon Water Control District dissolution process and explained some relevant history and reasons for that decision. She noted the now free

flowing nature of the Skipanon River with tidegates and one of three dams removed. We discussed NCWA BOD recruitment and agreed to encourage people from CREST and the County as applicants. Tessa offered Brooke Stanley a grateful tribute for her dedicated commitment to NCWA and the improvements she brought to our organization.

We adjourned at 5:22

Respectfully Submitted by,

Tessa James Scheller