

**Tualatin Soil and Water Conservation District
Board Meeting Minutes
November 10, 2020**

Board Members Present: Eldon Jossi Matt Pihl Steve VanGrunsven Jerry Ward
Thomas Dierickx Anna Jesse

Others Present: Kelly Dawes, TSWCD Judy Marsh, TSWCD
Lacey Townsend, TSWCD Randy Lawrence, CWS
Jessica Wells, NRCS Aaron Shaw, TSWCD
Briita Pajunas, TSWCD Brandy Saffell, TSWCD
Nicole Ruggiero, TSWCD Bethany Lund, TSWCD
Tatiana Taylor, TSWCD
Dean Moberg, TSWCD Associate Director
Jamie Stamberger, Outreach Consulting

Item 1 - Call Meeting to Order

The Zoom Board Meeting was called to order by the Chair, Jerry Ward at 6:31 pm.

Item 2 - Consent Agenda

Steve VanGrunsven moved to adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. Eldon Jossi seconded. **Passed unanimously.**

Item 3 - Public Comment

No public comment.

Item 4 - Presentation: Analysis of constituent groups inside the UGB

Briita Pajunas introduced Jamie Stamberger from Outreach Consulting. Jamie Stamberger gave the Board the results of the survey of the Washington County Urban Market Research Summary Project. Jamie talked about the survey context, key finds, and recommendations.

Matt Pihl left the meeting at approximately 7:05 pm.

Item 5 - Financial Report and Approval of Bills

Kelly Dawes reviewed the financial reports. Eldon Jossi moved to pay the unpaid bills as of November 10, 2020, in the amount of \$87,377.60. Anna Jesse seconded. **Passed unanimously.** Steve VanGrunsven moved to ratify the pre-approved bills as of October 31, 2020, in the amount of \$113,302.96. Anna Jesse seconded. **Passed unanimously.** Anna Jesse said she reviewed and approved all the October credit card charges. Anna Jesse moved to receive the financial statements for October 31, 2020, as presented. Steve VanGrunsven seconded. **Passed unanimously.**

Item 6 – Partner Reports

Randy Lawrence, Clean Water Services (CWS)

- Bare root season is underway.
- Oregon Roses received the contract for the plant cooler.
- CWS received great feedback on the work that TSWCD staff did at coordinating the plant give-away at CWS farm.
- New and improved Terra Trak is online.
- CWS continues to distribute PPE to anyone who needs it.

Jessica Wells, Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS)

- The new Soil Conservationist, Michael Taylor, started today.
- Jessica is making calls to landowner that are holding NRCS contracts to see if they have completed their contract contributions.
- Jessica is gathering information on the wildfire areas to see if there is any financial assistance needed for seeding, mulching, or erosion control.

Item 7 – Forest Conservation Program update and highlights

Brandy Saffell, TSWCD Forest Conservation Specialist, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the services that she has been giving to landowners. Brandy highlighted two forest landowners that she helped. She explained how she helped each of the landowners achieve what they wanted for a healthy forest. Brandy mentioned that the Board could view the presentation at <https://arcg.is/11euW9>. Brandy also talked about how wildfires effect soil and water quality. Brandy along with District partners would like to develop a Wildfire Risk Assessment and Response Plan for our drinking water source area.

Item 8 – SWCD Program Reports

Judy Marsh, Operations Assistant

- Judy mentioned that the District give a Special Service award to the outgoing Director for his service to the District. Judy wanted to know what and when the Directors would like to honor John McDonald for his time. Jerry Ward asked Judy to order a plaque and mail it to John McDonald. Due to COVID-19, Jerry said they would have to honor him at a zoom board meeting.
- Judy received a few emails from voters asking why the staff had biographies and the Directors did not. It was discussed to have a small biography paragraph for each Director.

Item 9 – Standing Committee Reports

No committee reports were given.

Item 10 – Wrap-Up – Director’s Reports

Jerry Ward said that he was taking out old filbert trees and replanting. Jerry also congratulated Dean Moberg for his win for the District's At-Large 2 position. He congratulated Steve VanGrunsven, Anna Jesse, Eldon Jossi and himself for being reelected to the District Board.

Steve VanGrunsven mentioned how Mike Conroy went above and beyond the call of duty to work on a Sunday with Contractors to get the Marsh project planted before the rain.

Thomas Dierickx said he has finished planting for the year.

Item 16 - Adjourn the meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Judy Marsh, Operations Assistant.

Attested by: Steve VanGrunsven

December 8, 2020
Date