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Soil and Water Conservation Commission Meeting

DATE	LOCATION	START TIME	END TIME
February 8, 2023	Clackamas Soil & Water Conservation District, 22055 S Beavercreek Road, Oregon City, OR	1:00 PM	4:00 PM
CHAIR	COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT	ABSENT	
Barbara Boyer	Stan Dean, Tim Kerns, Al Hrynyshyn, Ken Bailey, Jim Bob Collins, Jerry Ward	Jim Bob Collins	

OREGON DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (ODA) STAFF PRESENT

Marganne Allen, Soil and Water Conservation Districts Program (SWCD) and Water Quality Program Manager (online); Karin Stutzman, SWCD Program Lead; Sandi Hiatt, SWCD Grants Administrator; Renita McNaughtan, Administrative Specialist

VISITORS:

Chris Lapp, District Manager Clackamas SWCD; Andy Bleckinger, District Manager Yamhill SWCD, Don Guttridge, Director Clackamas SWCD; Whitney Collins, District Manager Baker SWCDs

Online Teams Visitors: Justine Dillon, SW Region Manager Water Resource Department (WRD); Jake Johnstone, Interim Field Services Administrator WRD; Holly Crosson, Executive Director Benton SWCD; Jan Lee, Executive Director Oregon Association of Conservation Districts

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

The regular quarterly meeting was called to order at 1:00 PM on February 8, 2023, by Tim Kerns, Commissioner Baker SWCDs and started introductions. Barbara Boyer, Chair, joined the meeting after introductions and continued the meeting.

CLACKAMAS SWCD FACILITIES/FARM TOUR

Chris Lapp shared about the Clackamas SWCD building - construction was completed in 2019 annex was finished in 2021, which is where the Farm Bureau and NRCS are located. The objective: to have a facility to support community organizations and entities to get together for workshops and meetings with the technology and room. The property is 15 acres and was previously a farm with open fields, a courtyard, and outbuildings that will be converted to support the rental equipment program, building maintenance, equipment maintenance, etc. The district is also land managers of 315 acres of community forest in Estacada. Discussion around the purchase of the property, number of employees, the hybrid workforce, the process of working with the federal government in leasing building space to them, etc. Chris Lapp led a tour of the facility and farm property.

SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION COMMISSION (SWCC) - REVIEW/REVISIT 2019-2021 STRATEGIC PLAN

Chair Boyer noted that the Commission Strategic Plan is expired, the need to be reviewed, and revised. The Commission reviewed the Plan page by page with suggestions and edits discussed. Karin Stutzman will make the edits and bring the revised Plan back to the Commission at the next quarterly meeting.

Approved - May 11, 2023 1

ACTION ITEM: Copy of the Parking Lot list to be placed in commission packet each quarter for review/reminder.

REVIEW DRAFT SWCD PROBATIONARY STEPS PROCESS - Provide Feedback and Input

Karin Stutzman provided background on the purpose of the SWCD Probationary Action Steps Process. Review of the SWCD Probationary Action Steps was reviewed. Discussion around the steps and feedback provided by the Commission members.

ADJOURNMENT: Meeting adjourned at 4:00 PM.