



Oregon Agricultural Heritage Commission

Meeting Minutes: April 19, 2022

The April 19 commission meeting was held virtually.

Commissioners attending: Ken Bailey, Bruce Taylor, Doug Krahmer, Lois Loop, Nancy Duhncrack, Woody Wolfe, Nathan Jackson, Barbara Boyer

Staff attending: Lisa Charpilloz Hanson, Liz Redon, Max Chabra, Taylor Larson, Eric Williams

Public attendees: Stan Dean, Kelley Beamer, Nellie McAdams, Heather Medina, Greg Green

A. Welcome and Introductions, and Commissioner Updates

Chair Doug Krahmer welcomed the commission and public at 1:02 pm. Commissioners introduced themselves.

B. Review and Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the May 19, 2020 meeting were approved. Motion by Ken, second by Ken Bruce. Approved unanimously.

C. Public Comment

Stan Dean, OACD, remains supportive of program. In future funding, requesting funding for implementation of carbon sequestration practices. Supports an OWEB 2023-25 budget request of \$10 million, which could include payment for practices.

Kelley Beamer, Executive Director of Coalition of Oregon Land Trusts expressed enthusiasm for the program as part of the initial funding coalition and summarized the history of the program. She noted that demand has never been greater for conservation easements. NRCS submitted \$8 million in requests for ACEP/ALE this year.

D. Spending Plan for 2022 Appropriation

The commission discussed the spending plan options presented by staff in Attachment D. Commissioners were most comfortable with option 1 and proposed reducing the Conservation Management Planning Investment to \$150,000 and increasing the Conservation Easement funding to \$4,314,553.

Ken Bailey moved that Option 1 with \$150,000 invested in Conservation Management Plan Grants be adopted as part of the proposed spending plan. This motion was seconded by Woody Wolfe. The motion passed unanimously.

Lois Loop moved that a \$4,314,533 investment in Conservation Easement Grants be adopted as part of the propped spending plan, Ken Bailey seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

E. Other Business/Next Meeting

The commission would like to see the application forms and guidance once developed. This will take place at an upcoming meeting prior to announcing the solicitation.