

Date: September 26, 2017

Place: Best Western, Coflax WA

Format: Regular Meeting started at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members Present for Regular Business Meeting: Roland Schirman (CC), Mike Talbott (CC), Billy Bowles (GC), Gary Ryan (WC), Michael Largent (WC), Jon Jones (WC), Todd Kimball (WWC), and Larry Hooker (WWC)

Board Members on Phone: Brad Johnson (AC).

Others Present: Terry Bruegman (CCD), Jennifer Boie (Whitman CD), Kris Buelow (SRSRB) and John Foltz (SRSRB).

Others on Phone: Megan Stewart (ACCD), Joanna Cowles (WWCCD), and Duane Bartels (PCD).

SRSRB Chair, Roland Schirman called the meeting to order at 6:09pm and verified a quorum (8 present, 1 on the phone for a total of 9). Roland welcomed everyone to the board meeting and asked for introductions from those present.

Verify Quorum and approve Agenda

Action 1: A motion was made by Michael Largent to approve the meeting agenda; it was seconded by Gary Ryan and the Board approved the motion by consensus.

Consent Agenda:

August 2017 Expenses:

(HCSR) RCO: \$12,021.21

(HCFW) LE: \$2,794.63

(HCB9) BPA: \$10,765,67

August 22, 2017 Meeting notes

Action 2: A motion was made by Billy Bowles to approve the August 22, 2017 meeting notes and financials for August expenses for 2017, it was seconded by Mike Talbott and the Board approved the motion.

Update: Announcements and Items of Interest

Cheap & Cheerful Workshop – John reported back to the Board on the successful workshop hosted by the SRSRB on September 18th and 19th. There were a total of 38 attendees over the two days who provided a very positive review. John identified and thanked the workshop partners, YKFP, WDFW, ELR, and Utah State University.

Letter and Press Release regarding State Capital Budget – John reported back to the Board that their letter regarding the State Capital Budget had been sent to our District 9 and 16 legislators along with our local newspapers; the Dayton Chronicle published the letter in the paper as well. Kris also reported that the Board memo regarding the cooperation and partnership along with Board thanks to the CTUIR ran in the Tribal paper.

Update: State budget status and implications

Still no state capital budget. The SRFB, at their emergency meeting in August, approved funding for Regions and Lead Entities through the end of the calendar year. The contract amendment is being processed.



Action 3: Partner Contracts

Based on the new contract amendment, John presented several options and budget scenarios for the Board's consideration regarding partner contracts. The Board discussed and believes that we need to operate with the thought that we will get a capital budget. However, the consensus of the group was to hold off on extending partner contracts until a capital budget is passed (or more information is known) and keep the office open as a priority. Just to verify that partners aren't in desperate need of funding, John will check in with the partners. The Board also agreed to hold off on approving any additional contract scopes of work until a capital budget is passed. **No action taken.**

Update: Tucannon project update

Kris provide an overview of project implementation that occurred in the Tucannon in 2017 in which the Tucannon Habitat Programmatic and/or SRFB funding was utilized. Projects 6-9, 18, and 28 phase 2 were implemented during the instream work window. The table below provides a very brief summary:

Project Name	Project Length Miles	# of Structures
PA-6-9	1.8	~96
PA-18	1.12	~58
PA-28 Phase II	1.75	78

Discussion: Executive Board call-in schedule and participants

John presented the County Commissioner Executive Board rotating member schedule. The Commissioners in attendance discussed and asked for it to be sent out so they could get meetings on their schedules.

Discussion: Recognition of Del Groat, Steve Martin, & Deb Seney

The Board presented Del with a gift and had a cake in his honor for serving on the Board since its inception. Del had served as the Chair for the last several years and following his retirement from the USFS is also resigning from the Board, this being his last meeting. Board members extended their gratitude and thanks even though Del couldn't attend the meeting. John also shared the letters prepared for Steve and Deb for their work as Board staff; Board members can donate funds if interested in contributing to a gift.

Discussion: Other Items for Board Discussion

Strategic Planning – To follow up on the topic of strategic planning, John asked that Board members start to think about where we have been and where we want to go. Do we need a formal strategic planning session and plan? Currently the Board operates as needs arise or as they are perceived based on the Recovery Plan and bylaws, existing contracts with RCO and BPA with a focus on habitat restoration. What are the long term items the Board is interested in, what are some of the education and outreach needs that we have, and what other potential funding sources should be investigated? The Board asked to have some framework to build upon for this discussion. Kris and John will put together some detail on where the Board has been, where we are currently, and some thoughts about where we are going to help frame discussions on the topic over the next several meetings.



Reminder that the funding guideline subcommittee will be meeting on 9/28 from 2-4pm at the SRSRB office in Dayton.

Action 4: Approval of October 17th for next Board meeting in USFS Building in Pomeroy at 6 pm – A motion was made by Billy Bowles and seconded by Michael Largent to set the next meeting at 6 p.m. in Pomeroy at the USFS building on October 17th. The Board approved by consensus.

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m. by SRSRB Chair, Roland Schirman.