

**Ferry Conservation District
Special Board Meeting MINUTES: 10/26/2022**

Meeting Start – 3:12 pm

In attendance USDA Service Center: Dave Konz, Board Supervisor Vice Chair; Joann Marshall, Board Supervisor; Dave Hedrick, FCD District Manager; Candy Roman, Staff.

In attendance via “GoToMeeting,”: Charlotte Coombes, Board Supervisor

Official Action Items			
Motion	Motion made by:	Motioned seconded by:	Decision
Motion to approve agenda	Charlotte Coombes	Joann Marshall	Carried
Motion to approve Sept 29, 2022 minutes	Charlotte Coombes	Joann Marshall	Carried
Motion to approve Treasurer’s Report and Accounts Payable September, 2022	Joann Marshall	Charlotte Coombes	Carried
Warrants to Pay: 3171-3185 Total \$84,138.58 EFT’s: \$2,870.17 For Sept 30, 2022 - Oct 26,2022	Charlotte Coombes	Joann Marshall	Carried
Motion to set a Special meeting of combined Nov/Dec 2022 meeting date and time. For Dec 7, 2022 at 3pm.	Charlotte Coombes	Joann Marshall	Carried
Meeting Adjourned at 3:56 PM			

Open Public Testimony

None

Partner Reports

Mike Baden, WSCC: None.

Derek Gianukakis, Ferry County Commissioners: None

Alex Reyes, NRCS: None

Operations Report

Dave Hedrick

Budget:

Implementation Grant (keeping the doors open) Original Amount \$117,823.00 (100%) Amount Paid Through 9/30 \$ 32,093.11 (27%) Amount Available Through 6/30/23 \$ 85,729.89 (73%) I realize right now the math doesn’t look very good, using +/-10% a month for the first two months of the new fiscal year. However, we have most of our big expenses front-loaded such as our insurance (Enduris)

\$5,641 and WACD dues \$3,488.89. In reality, if we amortize our big expenses over 12 months we are at roughly a 7% clip which keeps us under budget.

NE Area Meeting: The NE Area meeting on 10/20 in Davenport was attended by Candy, Joann and Dave. It was nice, the first in-person meeting since 2019 and was a welcome opportunity. This is a chance to show what the CD has accomplished and also advocate for our county with both NRCS and the SCC. There were two resolutions that passed, one related to Ecology's stock water policy 1025 and one that asked for a more streamlined permitting process. These resolutions will likely be voted on at the state WACD meeting in Wenatchee the week after Thanksgiving.

WACD: The WACD annual meeting will be held in Wenatchee at the convention center November 28-30. The last one that was held in person was 2019 in Tacoma. The cost is \$425 per person with new supervisors attending for free. That cost includes all meals. It doesn't include the cost of the room which is about \$100/night. We can afford to send at least three people. This meeting is meant for supervisors and there are good opportunities to network and learn a few new things.

Weather Station: The station has been completed and is up and running on the AgWeatherNet. I sent out a photo of the installation and it looks very good. It's an excellent addition to the district property and provides some important information that is not available at all stations such as soil temperature which could give people an idea when to plant a garden.

Maw RCO Bridge: Final inspection of the bridge by WDFW, DNR and RCO was on 11/25 in the afternoon. A further update will be provided at the meeting.

Ecology Grant: Our request for qualifications is out there and will close on 11/4. I've had one company contact me who said they were going to make a proposal. I've spoken to several others and the one thing that keeps coming up is the remoteness of the project and the difficulty of getting people here and samples out. It's been a really good experience speaking with these companies.

Colville Tribe: I am continuing to work with the water quality people on potential ways to work together. The CD will need to get an agreement together. The Okanogan CD has one with them that I'll see if we can copy.


Voluntary Stewardship Program: We are about to start getting out to look at potential weed control projects for next year. November will be the last month that I do stream monitoring for temperature and turbidity

Projects: Nothing new.

Upcoming for the Next Meeting

- Make a list of items to potentially surplus
- Review Open Public Meeting Act Guidelines and New Additions.
- NACD meeting.

Meeting Adjourned: 3:56 PM


Candy Roman, FCD District Staff


Ferry Board Member