

VALLEY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
OCTOBER MINUTES 209 N IDAHO ST, CASCADE
THURSDAY OCTOBER 5, 2023, 9:00 A.M. IN-PERSON/ZOOM HYBRID MEETING

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83507838827?pwd=N3RtR2d6SDdpWm8vSTZBRHFRam9xQT09>

Members Present: Supervisors Art Troutner, John Lillehaug, Judy Anderson online.

Associate Supervisor Pam Pace

Members Absent and Excused: Bill Leaf, Colt Brown, Lenard Long

Others Present: Durena Farr, VSWCD;

Others Online: Cynda Herrick, Valley Co. Planning & Zoning; Kara Utter; Daina Aguas NFPR Coalition admin, Neil Shippy, Watermaster District 65; Megan Brooksher submitted update report via email.

Meeting Called to Order at 9:14 a.m. by Art Troutner

Action Item: John moved to approve and sign September 7, 2023 minutes. Draft minutes emailed to board for review. Judy seconded and the motion carried with all in favor.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Guests and Guest Organization introductions and updates
 - a. Kara Utter created and presented CWMP grant 2022 Waterway Conditions map highlighting impaired and functioning waterways with the NFPR Subbasin. She then discussed with Supervisors and Cynda Herrick her accompanying Summary Report of properties adjacent (within 150 ft) and how the information might used and may be valuable to planning and zoning process.
 - b. Impaired Waterways, in NFPR Subbasin Summary Tables which included 21 different tables: Table 1 Largest Adjacent Acreage by Owner; Table 2 Largest Adjacent Acreage by Land Use; Table 3 Largest Adjacent Acreage by Subdivision; Big Creek - NFPR Watershed: Table 3 Largest adjacent acreage by owner; Table 4 Largest adjacent acreage by Land Use; Table 6 Largest Adjacent acreage by Subdivision; Cascade Reservoir Watershed Table 7 Largest Adjacent Acreage by owner; Table 8 Largest Adjacent Acreage by land use; Table 9 Largest adjacent Acreage by Subdivision; Table 10 Largest Adjacent Acreage by owner; Table 11 Largest Adjacent Acreage by Land use;
 - c. Valley Co. P & Z Cynda Herrick requested EPA definition of impaired waterway, the waterways map and Kara's summary report after supervisors have reviewed and commented. Cynda then provided applications review for CUP applications listed below.
 - d. Ron Brooks was not present for NRCS update. Oct 6 EQIP application cut-off for current year funding. John Lillehaug will be attending LWG Oct 12, 10 a.m. Zoom only
 - e. Bill Lillibridge ISWCC answered project scheduling questions. updates, Stormwater work session scheduling with Bill and Parametrics will have to wait until fall building season and WQPA is over for Bill. John offered to get photos of Gibson Creek culvert improvement project and will send to Bill. NW Passage requested Bill's technical input on bank stabilization.
 - f. Lenard Long was not present but will present updates S716 Septic Pilot update, USBR Willow Creek WMA Fire Fund project proposal, West Mtn Storm event tributary washouts, Four Corners fire mitigation BMPs at the November 2 Board meeting.
FoLC August/September monitoring report. ICC crew request for September monitoring w/ Lenard
 - g. Pam Pace provided Watershed Water Outlook; Valley County is no longer in drought condition. High snow year and cold temperatures helped with this; high precip through May; huge storm in August resulted in precip 2" above normal for the year. Sno Tel site review varied: Big Creek Summit 84% normal; Bogus Basin 132% normal, Long Valley 110% normal, very unusual year may be the new normal. Idaho Power noting weather patterns shift to more intense storms with more intense drought in-between.
2. Brush Creek workday October 17th with IDFG Michael Young and 5-10 volunteers; Cheyenne Jedry, Heartland High School 25 students, willow cutting, streambank planting and area clean-up.
3. Hot Springs WMA Riparian Fence project started September 4th progress update with ICC 3.5 miles, Rod Willet and Jason Dobis. ICC final week Oct 9-12. \$45,550 invoice adjusted for crew size, \$15,700 paid to Rod Willet \$10,000 labor and \$5,700 for equipment costs; tractor, post pounder, and brush hog mower.
4. Neil Shippy provided update on his summer assessment work/measuring on Gold Fork and its tributaries, Clear Creek; Mud Creek with a lot of diversions outside of priority that need to be sorted out with several jr users were using water belonging to senior users. Measurement order will be implemented to require flow

meters for future water measurement. City of McCall and Golf Courses divert from Payette Lake. Biggest use is for irrigators. Flow meters will be required once a measurement order is put in place and water will be rented from the rental pool. City of McCall water from the rental pool has doubled. Cost of rental pool water is increasing. Neil would also like to review the waterways condition map and summary report.

5. Meghan Brooksher emailed ISWCC update. WQPA site tour for Kindsvater Pivot Conversion. ISWCC match allocation will arrive in November with match rate of 1.3:1 down from previous year 1.6:1
6. Division III meeting is Oct 10th, John Lillehaug and Durena will attend; IASCD State Conference Registrations for VSWCD Supervisors (first time discount). New IASCD Executive Director Travis Jones. Durena requests to attend for Admin, District Coalition Display

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. BOCC approved VSWCD and engineers work session to address site grading and stormwater calculation questions, VSWCD Art Troutner, ISWCC Bill Lillibridge, NRCS Maureen Pepper, Parametrics Engineer, USGS Engineer, City Engineers, Cynda Herrick and others TBD.
2. S741 and S724 final cost justification has been submitted, and payment requests have moved through IDEQ to State of Idaho LUMA payment system.
3. NFPR Steering Committee will be meeting Oct. 12th. Mission statement board review.
4. Art requested follow-up on Parametric's stormwater calculations work session. Garnet Valley development was approved unanimously, Art has concerns about regard for TMDLs and the county's P & Z responsibility to acknowledge TMDLs in the watershed. Art requested follow-up on the discussion with IDEQ Rebecca Goering and NRCS Maureen Pepper. Bill Lillibridge is not available until fall construction season wraps up with snow fall.

FINANCIAL ACTION ITEMS AND DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION:

1. **Action Item:** John moved to accept and file Treasurer's Report: QB register reports, bank reconciliations for August 31, 2023 and September 30, 2023 General account and 319 account including Board approved recurring payments including Ziplly Fiber, NPERS, PERSI and Payroll Processing (includes payroll payment to US Treasury and quarterly payroll payments by Central Mountain CPA), Judy seconded and motion passed with all in favor.
2. FY24 Operating Budget with estimated ISWCC match allocation

P & Z OCTOBER 19, 6 P.M. VALLEY CO COURT HOUSE:

1. CUP 22-19 Valley Heights-Final Plat
2. CUP 22-55 Jug Mountain Ranch PUD Phase 3B Final Plat
3. CUP 21-27 Timber Creek Reserve Subdivision 81 single family lots on 37 acres, high ground water
4. CUP 23-37 Tamarack Resort PUD 98-1 Amended Village Plaza Condominium Preliminary Plat
5. CUP 23-38 Heron Hollow Subdivision Individual septics, individual wells
6. CUP 23-40 Ahlquist Bunkhouse, Ranch Office, Helicopter Landing Pad and Hanger, AB West. Pond permit provided by Valley Co. Neil Shippy advised that the Ahlquist pond was not permitted, diverting water on a stream where no rights existed, IDWR is working to correct this water use with landowner.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Date Reminders:

Sept 30 CWMP Reporting Period End Date (Report due 10/30/23)

Oct 2 Division III Fall Meeting Reservations, meeting date Oct 10th

Oct 12th NRCS LWG 10 a.m. zoom

Oct 19 P & Z Public Hearing

Nov 6 WCMEDC 6th annual Regional Economic Summit, A Stronger Future Together. Details emailed

Nov 7-9 79th Annual IASCD Annual Conference Riverside Boise

Dec 20, 2023 District Performance Report Due

Meeting adjourned at 11:27 a.m.

Chairman: _____

Date Approved: November 2, 2023

Minutes prepared by Durena Farr, District Manager