

VALLEY SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
AUGUST MINUTES 209 N IDAHO ST, CASCADE
THURSDAY AUGUST 1, 2024, 9:00 A.M. IN-PERSON/ZOOM HYBRID MEETING

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82372191449?pwd=qjJFKVAFLKc6f5vMLanmZ7YduQ4n1e.1>

Meeting called to order at 9:16 a.m.

Members Present: Supervisors Art Troutner, John Lillehaug, Colt Brown. Online: Judy Anderson

Members Absent and Excused: Bill Leaf

Others Present: Durena Farr VSWCD District Manager, Meghan Brooksher, ISWCC

Others Online: Cynda Herrick, Valley Co. Planning & Zoning; Maureen Pepper, NRCS; Bill Lillibridge, ISWCC; Neil Shippy, IDWR; Ron Brooks, NRCS; Dani Terhaar, IDEQ; Associate Supervisors Lenard Long and Pam Pace

Action Item: Colt Brown moved to approve and sign June 6, 2024, minutes. Draft minutes emailed to board. No July meeting was held therefore no July meeting minutes are recorded. John Lillihaug seconded and motion carried with all in favor.

NEW BUSINESS: Guests and Guest Organization introductions and updates

- a. Janet Cherry, PE Senior Environmental Engineer with ERG for EPA Closing America's Wastewater Access Gap, technical assistance grant, ERG, confirmed August 14th lunch meeting at Valley Co EOC with SLRSD, City of Cascade, Valley Co Commissioners and VSWCD Board members to discuss project history and tour facilities and physical area of SLRWSD.
- b. Valley Co. P & Z Cynda Herrick provided review for August 1 new business application review (4, see below)
- c. Maureen Pepper, NRCS Wetlands funding update; Wetlands Bank
- d. ISWCC Megan Brooksher attended in person. She addressed audit questions and referred District to Zweigart and associates for financial audit, with an audit fee of \$6,000 and provided contact information (208) 459-4649. The audit will need to be completed by March 2025.
- e. ISWCC District Survey District Financial Match Report due August 16 (see financial action item below)
- f. Bill Lillibridge- Heinrich design and permitting completed, possible for September construction if contractor available
- g. Forestry Tour report from John Lillehaug, approximately 50 individuals present. \$440 deposit for registrations collected; Expenses included meeting space Donnelly Bible Church \$170 (\$150 space, \$20 to Phoebe Smith for cleanup). Ridley's morning and lunch supplies \$317.49
- h. Coalition update: Jordan Messner Workgroup, No response in favor of September/October Watershed Tour. Steering committee will reconsider event date, agenda and format.
- j. Cities of Cascade, Donnelly, and McCall Agenda review. No city topics were brought by board for discussion.
- k. Lenard Long provided water quality update. He indicated that Development planning is a #1 priority the need to assess what is happening and look at the number of wells that have gone in since 2020.
- l. Board discussed the need for Valley County Greenhouse gas assessment in order to be considered for increased grant eligibility
- m. Board also agreed on the need to issue Noxious Weed Treatment/Enforcement Letter of Support
- n. VSWCD Board asked for Durena to pursue extension for S696 (9/30/24) Bank Restoration Project activity in June – Alzar, Strand Access, YWAM Depot, Heinrich. Valley Co Gibson Creek Drainage and Culvert since Gibson Creek West Mtn culvert improvements have been delayed due to fire activity and Heinrich additional permitting process to address alternative restoration plan.
- o. National Culvert Removal Bill has been reviewed by Art Troutner and Jeff McFadden. The general opinion was there was not much that would qualify for the county except perhaps projects on the South Fork Salmon or Long Gulch area.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. No action taken for Site grading and stormwater calculation work session follow-up from first meeting held - Lenard Long

FINANCIAL ACTION ITEMS AND DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION:

2. **Action Item:** Colt Brown moved to accept and file Treasurers Report for June 30, 2024 and July 31, 2024 General account and 319 account activity balanced to QuickBooks, Board approved recurring payments including Ziplly Fiber, Zoom, NPERS, PERSI and Payroll Proc sing (includes payroll payment to US Treasury, quarterly payroll payments by Central Mountain CPA) and NFPR WC Invoices for John Lillehaug seconded and the motion carried with all in favor.
3. **Action Item:** John Lillehaug moved to sign and submit VSWCD FY24 Match Report due 8/16. A donation from All About Forestry was received and deposited 6/28/24. Colt Brown seconded and the motion carried with all in favor. Art Troutner, Chairman signed the certification page and report was submitted to ISWCC

P & Z AUGUST 1- 6 P.M. AND AUGUST 15TH 8 A.M. VALLEY CO COURT HOUSE

Review of Old, New Business and Facts and Conclusions

CUP 24-09 Amendment of CUP 19-09 Retreat McCall Event Venue-Short Term rentals of guest rooms, additional parking area, Septics/Well

CUP 24-18 Gove Short-Term Rental and Private Airstrip 40 acre site 3789 West Mtn Road, septic/well

CUP 24-19 Hurt Short-Term Rental 13156 A Cameron Dr Mtn Meadows, Well, NLRWSD central sewer

Action Item: Judy moved for VSWCD to submit a letter of concern for CUP 24-20. Colt Brown seconded and motion carried with all in favor. Art Troutner composed the letter with board input and delivered the letter to Cynda at P & Z.

Meeting on August 15th 8:00 a.m. for discussion on Comprehensive Plan, Compatibility Rating, and Matrix was noted by board but no supervisors committed to attend. The meeting will be online for review.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Date Reminders:

August 14 11:30 a.m. CAWAG Lunch and Discuss, VSWCD, City of Cascade, SLRWSD and Valley Co Commissioners

August 16 Financial Match report Due

August 22 IDEA Training Workshop for Durena at SCO, Boise

September 5th VSWCD Board Meeting

September or Early October TBD NFPR Watershed Coalition Community Event – Meeting or Tour

Meeting adjourned at 11:49 a.m.

Chairman: _____

Date Approved: September 5, 2024

Minutes prepared by Durena Farr, VSWCD