Walla Walla Basin Watershed Council Meeting
February 18, 2019
Meeting Minutes

Present:

Council Members: Gary James, Steve Irving, Arnold Coe, Jack Ferrise, Catherine Clifton, Malcolm Millar, Vern Rodighiero, Ralph Perkins, John Zerba, Molly Reid

Staff: Brian Wolcott, Wendy Harris, Troy Baker, Tara Patten, Marie Cobb, Graham Banks, Luke Adams

Guests: Eric Holverson, David Haire

Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. by John Zerba

(04:59) Review Minutes of the December 17th, 2018 and January 21st, 2019 meetings—Steve moved to approve the minutes for both months as submitted, with Malcolm seconding the motion. The vote was unanimous to approve minutes.

(08:09) Umatilla County Commissioners approved new board members—We received letter from County Commissioners officially approving Butch, Caty, Jack and Kevin as members of the WWBWC board. Brian made the new members aware and reminded the already serving members of the different committees that members can serve on, the personnel committee, Fiscal and Education committee, Executive and Project committee. Butch and Jack requested to become part of the Project committee and Caty and Jack would like to be on the Fiscal and Education committee and Kevin will become part of the Executive committee.

(10:53) Watershed Council self-evaluation survey results and discussion—Brian went over the questions and responses of the anonymous survey. 10 of the 15 board members responded.

(54:58) OWEB Council Capacity grant application—Brian discussed what this grant is, what goes into applying for this grant, when it is due and when he will get the proposal out to board members for them to review.

(59:43) OWEB Telling the Walla Walla Restoration Story grant application—Brian received an e-mail from the person in charge of the monitoring program at OWEB saying that they have selected 12 different basins around Oregon to tell the restoration story and we had been selected to tell the story of the WW basin and the difference OWEB invested dollars through irrigation efficiency projects have made a difference in this basin.

(04:44) Projects committee meeting in March: fish passage, irrigation efficiency, fish habitat—Brian gave a brief rundown of the grant proposals that the project committee will be asked to review in March prior to them coming to the board for a vote.

(05:13) Strategic Action Planning committee update (Mission Statement and Goals)—Brian gave update from the last meeting of this committee.

(11:54) WWBWC Projects Tour-setting a Date—Graham confirmed that the WWBWC Projects Tour will be April 13th from 9:00-3:00 this year and went over outreach suggestions.

Announcements:

-There will be an Umatilla River Vision and First Foods presentation at the March meeting.
-River Restoration NW will be showing a film at the GESA Powerhouse Theater, March 7\textsuperscript{th} at 7 p.m.

- March 27\textsuperscript{th} at GESA Powerhouse theater, \textit{Beaver Believers}.

Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Next Meeting: March 18\textsuperscript{th}, 7:00-8:30 p.m., in the Rotary Room, Milton-Freewater Community Building, 5\textsuperscript{th} Ave. and Ward St.

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