Present:


Guests: Renae Hadley

Regular Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by John Zerba

(00:00-18) Review Minutes of the June meeting– Minutes were approved as submitted.

*Moved Mission Statement on Agenda to last item of discussion

(19:4-13) Walla Walla Basin Integrated Flow Enhancement Study update- Brian reported that the group is currently working on a list of data gaps for the Engineers. Next steering committee meeting has been postponed until August 21st.

(4:14-9:12) Couse Creek Confluence Fish Passage Project update: permitting and construction – Brian reported that he is awaiting the permit from the Oregon Department of State Lands so that work on this project can proceed. Partney Construction received the bid for construction. Hoping to go to construction August 12th.


(10:40-12:44) Outreach proposal submitted to Oregon Community Foundation- Marie gave overview of grant she submitted to OCF today. Water is Life, Water is Power campaign was reviewed and approved by the project committee when they met earlier this year, but the grant was just submitted today on the due date.


(13:43-36:43) Corps of Engineers Mill Creek Flood Control System Study update- Brian an overview of what the Corps will be studying, the purpose, what this study could impact and what it may mean to us.

(36:44-40:04) Fish returns and stream flows update- Steelhead 214 adults, 115 Spring Chinook Salmon adult, flows at Grove School were about 118 cfs this morning and dropped off to 111 cfs this afternoon, Pepper’s Bridge had 14 cfs this afternoon. Beet road is actually flowing better than in June at about 40 cfs. McDonald Bridge are about 30 cfs.

*(40:05-58:0) Mission Statement—Jack moved to approve the Mission Statement as proposed with Vern seconding the motion. Vote was unanimous in favor of the motion.

The Council’s MISSION is to enhance, restore and protect the Walla Walla Basin’s native aquatic populations, watersheds, fish and wildlife habitat and water quality, while sustaining a healthy economy. This will be done through community education and by working in collaboration with local, state, federal and tribal natural resource managers, private landowners, and the public.
(58:01) Announcements:
None

Meeting Adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: August 19, 2019, 7:00-8:30 p.m., in the Rotary Room, Milton-Freewater Community Building, 5th Ave. and Ward St.

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