Monument Soil & Water Conservation District

POBox 95 Monument, OR 97864

MEETING MINUTES

October 02, 2023

Monument Senior Center

Monthly Board Meeting

Call to Order - The meeting was called to order at 5:06 PM by Andy Watkins.

Board of Directors in attendance – Lisa Atkin, Andy Watkins, and Brian Campbell. **Associate Directors in attendance** – None in attendance. **Staff** – Erik Rook (District Manager), Todd Hoodenpyl (Office Manager), Emily Schmidt (Project Manager).

District Minutes:

A motion was made by Lisa Atkin to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2023 meeting as presented. The motion was seconded by Andy Watkins. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

GUEST LIST: John Volle.

AGENCY/ORGANIZATION REPORTS None in attendance

PUBLIC COMMENT: No Comment provided

DISTRICT BUSINESS

- 1. <u>District Manager Report</u>: Erik Rook provided an update on current projects. A copy of the detailed report is available at the MSWCD office. Erik stated that the district is slowing down as we are coming into the slow season.
- 2. <u>Financial Report:</u> Todd Hoodenpyl provided the Monthly Fiscal report along with supporting documents. Todd Discussed current billing, discussed the current ODA Capacity grant, Leafy Spurge grant, ATV rates, and the current audit. A motion was made by Brian Campbell to approve the report as presented. The motion was seconded by Lisa Atkin. The motion passed by unanimous vote.
- 3. <u>Project Report</u>: Emily Schmidt provided the Board with an update on projects that staff have worked on throughout the last two months.

OLD BUSINESS

ODA SIA – Erik discussed with the board that he would be attending tours in Grant County with ODA and will be taking the group to the mouth of Cottonwood Creek and also the JV Ranch. Erik had a discussion with the board in regards to last months meeting with ODA and options to help landowners. John Volle recommended that the district be proactive in their approach to SIAs by providing ODA with current data we have on water quality and/or start to collect data within the NF John Day area.

NEW BUSINESS

Annual Meeting-Erik discussed that the district was going to have an in person annual meeting and that a date would need to be set in the near future.

MEETING ADJOURNED: 6:35 pm

MEETINGS: Next MSWCD board meeting to be held at the Monument Senior Center on November 06, 2023 at 5pm.

Approved by:

11/6/23 Date 11/6/23

Definitions

MSWCD: Monument Soil and Water Conservation District

NRCS: Natural Resources Conservation Service

NFJDWC: North Fork John Day Watershed Council

OWEB: Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board

ODA: Oregon Department of Agriculture

SIA: Strategic Implementation Area

AG: Agricultural

CTWS: Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

BLM: Bureau of Land Management

ODF: Oregon Department of Forestry

ODFW: Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife