



Jefferson County Conservation Futures Committee

Tuesday, November 1, 2010

4:45 – 5:45 PM

WSU Extension, Madrona Room,

Port Hadlock, WA

FINAL Minutes

*** Decisions and action items are indicated in bold font.**

Members Present: Phil Andrus, District 2; Lige Christian, District 3; Crystie Kisler, Interest- Farming, Jerry Gorsline, District 2; Janet Kearsley, District 1; Phyllis Schultz, Working Lands; Sarah Spaeth, Jefferson Land Trust; Fred Weinmann, Ecology; John Augustus Wood, District 1 (arrived at 4:50 PM)

Members Absent: Herb Beck, District 3;

County Staff Present: Tami Pokorny, Water Quality Division and Recorder

I. Call to Order:

Chair Phil Andrus called the meeting to order at 4:46 PM

II. Review of Agenda:

The agenda was approved, as written. Later in the meeting it was noticed that "Review of Annual Reporting Forms" should read "Annual Reports."

III. Approval of Minutes:

The minutes of August 30, 2010 were approved as written.

IV. Observer comments:

None

V. Old Business:

Calendar for 2011 Round

The committee reviewed the working draft calendar (version October 27, 2010). There were no changes.

Thank you card

The committee briefly discussed and signed a card to former committee member Barbara McColgan Pastore thanking her for her exceptional contributions to the work of the CF Program since its inception.

VI. New Business

Review of Annual Reporting Forms

Sarah Spaeth responded to questions posed by committee members on the status of projects. The option agreement to purchase Brown Dairy will expire soon. The Creamery is still interested in acquiring it but needs a bridge owner. An appraisal is being initiated for the Ruck property on Salmon Creek. There were a lot of summer chum carcasses in the drainage this fall as well as signs of bear and other wildlife activity. A meeting with the Tribe, State Parks and others to discuss the Tamanowas Rock properties was held recently, and State Parks is seeking partners and potential co-managers to help with its responsibilities connected to Anderson Lake Park. There are currently no management specifics on the rock itself. The twenty acres surrounding the rock may be managed as a sanctuary while the Nicholson Short Plat would likely be more mixed use. Many funding options are still being considered. Discussion continues about calling the area a "sanctuary" and the potential for a tribal/state partnership. At Glendale Farm, the Land Trust is working with the landowner to ensure that development of the 5-acre building envelope is accomplished consistent with the easement. The Land Trust has initiated a request to remove the county as co-grantee.

December Presentation to BoCC

Staff will contact Chair Andrus about scheduling time before the BoCC to review changes recommended by the CF Committee to the CF application materials and process. This will likely occur in December with an announcement of the funding round in January.

Launch of Funding Round

Staff reviewed a plan for outreach this fall to include presentations to watershed planning groups, the Chumsortium and providing information on the program at the annual conservation district tree sale. Crystie Kisler mentioned that Finnriver Farm is creating an interpretive trail with many partners, and she volunteered to work with staff to develop future CF outreach projects. A letter to the editor describing the CF Program had been proposed around the time of the funding round announcement. The farmer's market is another option for getting the word out. Fred Weinmann volunteered to help with outreach also.

Meeting Minutes Options

Staff suggested going to a meeting summary format and/or using technology to reduce the time and expense devoted to recording meetings. Possibly recordings could be posted online through a link to the Health Department website. Members suggested looking into voice recognition programs. Staff will ask Gail Bernhard if she is available to record the project presentation meeting and rankings meeting next spring.

VII. Other/ Administrative

Staff Update:

Membership – Sarah Spaeth and Lige Christian have been reappointed to the committee. Janet Kearsley and Jerry Gorsline's terms expire in December.

Fund Balance – The Fund balance as of September 30, 2010 was \$304,795.39.

Estimate of Funds Available in 2011 – \$75,000

VIII. Observer Comments

None

IX. Adjournment

Chair Andrus adjourned the meeting at 5:44 PM.