

Meeting Minutes

Meeting Called to Order May 9, 2024, by Katrina Poydack, Chair at 5:07 pm.

ATTENDEES	ZOOM ATTENDEES	ABSENTEES
Katrina Poydack	Gene Merrill	John Bellville (IVSWCD)
Janice Denney		Bob Schmidt
Don Young		James Gurley
Patty Downing		Arlyse DeLoyola (staff)
Carol Crawford		
Kevin O'Brien (staff)		

SCRIBE

Notes were taken by: Patty Downing

- **Minutes:** The minutes of the April 2024 meeting were presented to the council for review.
 - Carol Crawford made a motion to approve the minutes.
 - Janice Denney seconded that motion.
 - The minutes were approved without dissent.

- **Financials:** The Financial Reports for April 2024 were presented to the Council for review.
 - Carol Crawford made a motion to accept the financial reports.
 - Kevin O'Brien seconded that motion.
 - The motion was approved without dissent.

Committee Reports: There were no reports. Next Policy Committee meeting is May 14.

OLD BUSINESS

- **Fundraising planning for native plant sales. (Gene Merrill)**
 - Gene is continuing to research. Needs a work crew set up at the juvenile facility. Discussion on contacts and ways other agencies and foundations may be able to help. The project could also be framed to help with job preparedness for kids.

- **Hanby Block Party**
 - Discussion was held in preparation for this event to be held Wednesday May 29th from 5-8 pm. The Council will set up a fishing pond. The Stream Table will be brought out by Dave Grosjacques, and carol will demonstrate some water testing techniques. Katrina facilitated a partial donation of an overnight stay at the Tre resort and Patty offered an overnight Glamping stay to be raffled off between this event and Hathkupasuta. Kevin will coordinate a planning and preparation meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

- **Clear Creek Water Lab**
 - Clear Creek (former Medical Office) has offered space for a water sampling lab. Possible the Council and District would only pay electricity cost. Discussion ensued on community involvement and possible foundation support.
- **Four Way Foundation Grant**
 - The Council has been awarded \$3600 to purchase new faster computers, which are necessary to produce planned engagement materials.
- **What if our OCF Ask Comes Through?**

Board should be prepared for a discussion about the focus of the grant. We may want the job focus to be adjusted to include grant writing, fund raising, and assistant manager or director.

Sampling Team Office Key Situation

- A motion was made by Kevin O'Brien to allow the Sampling Team leader/Supervisor to have discretionary permission to loan out the office key as needed.
- Janice Denney Seconded the motion.
- Discussion was held.
- The motion carried unanimously.

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE

- Engagement of community partners is behind schedule.

CONTINUING

- **Staff and partnering agency reports:**
 - Kevin reviewed his written report. He will be using a new format to match the strategic plan goals. The Connect Conference was good. The fundraising part was very helpful. We need to build membership. ALL board members should be donors. 1/3 of revenue should come from donors, 1/3 from campaigns, and 1/3 from grants. Kevin and John will work on getting a film and stories onto the website and other outlets.
 - The Mendoza project team meets next week and will do an ask for their "share"
 - Kevin met with the Ranger for Horse creek and identified about \$50,000 in project funding for support/operations and indirect costs.
 - Kevin feels good about the WC presentation to OWEB on the Water Quality application and thinks we addressed their concerns.
 - He is researching a newsletter, possible joint effort with the District
 - Cannabis property assessment guide work continues.
 - Arlyse's report is in the packet

- Board "Homework" Assignment
 - There was a brief discussion of board homework and a Check-In time.

- Partnering Agencies:
There were no reports.
- Public Comment
Don mentioned the possibility of mercury and other contaminants in local fish.

NEXT MEETING:

The next monthly meeting is to be held at 5:00 pm on June 13, 2024.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned by Katrina Poydack, Chair, at 6:18 PM.

Approved Minutes:

Signature 

Date 7/11/24