



**Council Meeting Minutes**  
**April 14th, 2021 6:35 PM – 7:35 PM**  
**Meeting Via Zoom**

Voting members: Carl Exner, Janet Davis, Julie DiLeone, Margaret Filardo, Matt Stine, Roy Iwai, Alan L'Hommedieu, Gerald Murphy, Cindy Kolomechuk

Other Attendees: Howard Schaller, Matt Deangelo, Dave Stewart, Kris Balliet, Liane Davis, Sara Ennis,

Meeting called at 6:35

No additions to agenda

Council Business – Chris Gorsek is noted as a voting member;

Margaret – Bank account still has Steve W. and Marilyn Peterson (CPA) – remove both from bank account; motion to remove them from account; Murph motion, Carl 2<sup>nd</sup>. Motion passed.

Sara & Craig – working with Sara over a month; met some staff and council members;

Craig Raymond – went over bank accounts, financials, balance sheet, P/L statement, PPN loan, cash flow, liabilities;

Carl- separate restricted & unrestricted net assets to identify which money is obligated to a specific purpose rather than for restricted use; this will avoid the issue of robbing Peter to pay Paul, which is how we got into trouble before.

Several comments on the new format; well-received.

In the future Julie D. will present financials to board.

Plans for 2021 and into 2022 – Janet requested executive staff and ED to identify what work staff is working on to ensure goals are being met; helps to develop planning documents for assignments and tasks to do.

Kris – staff has been awesome; huge appreciation to staff and executive board; staff projects memo – questions? Walked through memo:

- 1) Memo – outlined what is going on in 2021 and then into 2022; staff working beyond hours that are delegated to them; possibly bring on more staff? Engaged interns to help with duties; critically important for staff support; look into other revenue streams; not to be so grant-reliant; bring on interns, grad students, Americorps, etc.; not in a place yet to hire new staff. Roy – inquired about JEDI regarding interns and paying them or not; Kris – unpaid internships are becoming a thing of the past; times are changing; when we are in a position to hire paid interns we will. Carl – any equity personnel in group that have been contacted? Sara – has been approached by students from MHCC who could not find internships elsewhere; media, earth day event, timberline to Troutdale clean-ups; Kris – important to bring on BIPOC folks; Bill working with local tribes; City of Gresham – working with them on projects. Roy – college interns get college credit; that's compensation; Margaret – looking for more experienced students; grad students from PSU; experience in their degree fields; get either class credit as compensation or will be paid via a stipend.

- 2) Spreadsheets – Projects, funding status, etc. Kris – questions? Margaret – not letting things fall through the cracks; addressing things as effectively and efficiently as possible; Janet – Kelly Creek dam question – is Sara a part of that? Sara – grant due at end of June; MHCC wants to wait for master plan before beginning; probably have to go back to funder to see what we do next.

Howard – Sandy/Salmon committee – engaged community; explored proposal to NWF; expand options of S/S II. Successfully submitted pre-proposal to NWF to determine if they want us to submit a full proposal. Mitch Williams will participate permanently; good that we involved community from beginning; Kris – comments on committee; sense of collaboration was terrific; Brian Tibbetts fabulous; thank you Dianne; Howard liked working with him. Liane – since community is now involved was there any progress made to bring them along for their support on future projects; Howard – yes; Mitch expressed concerns and his concerns were part of the pre-proposal; will address several concerns to keep ponds, minimize risk of losing “rabbit hole”; giving Mitch an opportunity to express his concerns and sub-committee listening was key; he would be thrilled to stay on sub-committee; Murph – known Mitch for 40 years; he appreciated the sub-committee asking him to be a part of the project; Kris – recognize Janet who has been doing monitoring on Phase I Janet – expand committee if we move forward with proposal; involve water bureau (Liane will hear from us)

Lamprey – Howard – working with Bill W. plan for lamprey; not just lamprey specific; expand work to understand more about the plight of lamprey; looking at the Delta; extensive monitoring; lower Sandy as a cold-water refuge; how do lamprey distribute in the cold-water refuge; with Bill looking into grant to study lamprey larval distribution; when Phase I on S/S has water, will it support lamprey; Still Creek too? Margaret – expand into other waterways besides just Sandy/Salmon. Howard – expand partners and develop more partnerships.

Meeting ended at 7:35.