



## FRIENDS OF TUALATIN RIVER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE COMPLEX

April 26, 2022 Board Meeting Minutes

The meeting was held via Zoom.

**Present:** Michael Boering, Dawn Carovano, Mariel Combs, Alan Christensen, Cheryl Hart, Tom Hartz, Phyllis Millan, Sharon Miller, Tom Stibolt, Irene Vlach.

**Staff:** Bonnie Anderson, Rebecca Gomez Chuck, Curt Mykut.

**Guests:** Sarah Miller (DEQ), Carol Murdock (CWS), Karen Strickland (Sherwood Rotary), Jane Vankuren (Sherwood Rotary).

### **I. Quorum**

We have a quorum (7 directors required).

**II. Excused Absences:** Keith Mays, Willem Stoeller.

### **III. Call to Order (6:30)**

### **IV. Welcome, Roll Call, Introductions and Kudos**

### **V. Approval of Agenda**

### **VI. Consent Agenda**

1. Standing Committee Reports
  - Advocacy Report
  - Financial Reports
  - Governance Committee – Report was removed from the consent agenda.
  - Membership Committee
  - Store Report
2. Minutes of 3-22-2022 Meeting
3. Reports from the Refuge
  - Restoration Report
  - Visitor Services Report

4. Additional Reports:
  - Photography as a Tool

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda and the Reports, with the exception of the Governance Committee report:

1. Phyllis
2. Alan

Passed with one abstention.

#### **VII. Guest Speaker: Sarah Miller (DEQ): Update on Grabhorn Landfill Cleanup**

The goal of the Cleanup program is to reduce the amount of rain water going through the landfill into the Tualatin river by enhancing the vegetation cover.

#### **VIII. Kudos**

Kudos were given after the introductions.

#### **IX. Reports**

- a. President – Cheryl Hart

Cheryl deferred to Bonnie.

- b. Executive Director – Bonnie Anderson

- Bonnie gave an update of the projects funded by grants.
- She will attend the annual Oregon Community Foundation's luncheon.
- She needs help for the mini Birdfest at Greenway, on April 28, 5-7pm.
- She is developing her annual work plan.
- The Wapato Lake walk for members will take place on June 4.

- c. Project Leader Rebecca Chuck and/or Deputy Refuge Project Leader Eva Kristofik: Refuge Updates

- No news on the Tonquin Quarry. We are waiting for the administrative hearing date.
- The public comments on the alternatives for public access at Wapato Lake are being processed.
- Sterling Ashe's former position should soon be filled.

- d. Refuge Staff Report: Curt Mykut, Staff Biologist, Restoration Annual Work Plan

Curt gave an update on the various projects on several Refuge Complex units.

#### **X. Old Business**

a. Action Items from last meeting update: Irene

No outstanding action items.

b. Any other old business

n/a

#### **XI. New Business**

a. Approval of new membership levels

See document with the proposed new membership levels submitted by the Membership Committee.

Motion to accept the new membership categories as proposed by the Membership Committee:

1. Phyllis
2. Tom H.

The motion passed.

d. Any other New Business

Motion for the President, the Treasurer and the Executive Director to be authorized to sign documents related to the Home Street account:

1. Alan
2. Phyllis

Passed.

The authorization for the current signers will be revoked once the new signers are approved.

#### **XII. Announcements**

All board members are invited to attend any of the weekly Sherwood Rotary meetings. They are held Fridays at 6:45am at the Sherwood Senior Center.

#### **XIII. Adjourn\_(7:55)**