# Harney County Watershed Council 242 Hwy 20 South Hines, OR 97738

### Mission and Purpose of the Harney County Watershed Council:

The Council recognizes that local ecological and economic prosperity is dependent upon the current and future availability of water; therefore, the Harney County Watershed Council is committed to this three-part goal:

- A. Determine the health of individual watersheds or watershed segments.
- B. Retain the health of high quality watersheds and,
- C. Restore and enhance those watersheds or portions thereof that can be improved.

# Minutes of June 18, 2019

(members present will be presented in BOLD type)

Tyler Harris – Drewsey	- Guano	– Alvord
Fred Otley – Diamond	Pat Sharp – Landowner Gen	Joe Witzel – H/M Lakes
Angie Ketscher – Silver Creek	<b>Dustin Johnson</b> – Education	<b>Brandon Haslick</b> – Paiute Tribe
Brenda Smith— C/C Burns/Hines	John Thelen- C/C at Large	Diane Rapaport– C/C Gen
Alexa Martinez – Environmental	Ben Cate- Sportsman	Jamie McCormack- BLM
Scott Franklin– SWCD	Mark Owens- HC Court	Rachel Beaubien – Silvies

## Advisory members

(members present will be presented in bold type)

Dave Banks- ODF&W Zola Ryan - NRCS

Chad Karges--MNWR Chad Boyd – EOARC/ARS

- USFS JR Johnson - OWRD

Guests present: Vanessa Schroeder, OSU

Staff: Karen Moon, coordinator

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 5:31pm

**Presentation:** 

Additions to the Agenda: none

Minutes: Minutes for the May meeting were reviewed. Rachel Beaubien moved to approve the minutes, Brandon Haslick

seconded and the motion passed.

Bills: were not reviewed, the budget will be presented later in the meeting.

**Correspondence**: none this evening.

**Coordinator's Report:** Was not presented due to the field trip meeting **Chairman Report**: Was not presented due to the field trip meeting

### **Old Business:**

**Community Based Water Planning:** There was discussion of the Feasibility Study that the County has started to find ways to help domestic users with solutions to drinking water for the future. There is a possibility of several different funding sources that may be available to help pay for the study. We are waiting on the legislature to hear if the Policy Option Package for OWRD will include additional funding for Place Based Planning. It is thought the awarded amount may be reduced from what has been asked for.

### **New Business**

**Budget:** The budget was reviewed. If the HBWI projects are able to be completed there should be a good amount of Admin funds that may be available to redirect to projects. Karen was directed to use the Admin funds to cover shortfalls in other classes to "zero them out".

Ben Cate moved to approve the budget with the directive above. Rachel Beaubien seconded and the motion passed.

**Strategic planning:** The contract with Adrianne Graham is complete and Brenda is working on setting a date for the "board retreat".

Range Camp 101: Dustin Johnson and Vanessa Schroeder took board members on a tour to the rain out shelters and gave a short Range Camp run-through. Camp will start tomorrow morning and run through Saturday afternoon. It was reported that Range Camp started first in 2011 and has had over 200 high school participants since the beginning.

Items for next agenda: The next meeting will be a field trip to the Windmill Pond (Carp Threshold) project with the meeting held at the Double O School.

Next meeting: Our next meeting will be July 16, 2019

The meeting adjourned at 6:05pm to the tour.

Respectfully submitted, Karen Moon, Coordinator