



NEOSWA – January Member Meeting Minutes

Oregon Small Woodland Association

When: Thursday, January 6th, 2022

Where: Small Conference Room, Baker County Fairgrounds/Extension Service
2600 East St., Baker City, OR 97814

Attendees:

Zoom: Debi Lorence (President), Maurizio Valerio (Vice-President), Randy Guyer (Treasurer), Paul Harlan (Board Member), Bill Porfily, Brandon Ferguson, John Rizza, Jared Considine

In-Person: Jacob Putney (Secretary), Bob Parker, Kelly Johnson, Jack Kleinhoff (Board Member), Jana Peterson

Called to Order: 7:03 PM

Member Meeting Minutes:

- Funding Opportunities (Jana Peterson, Brandon Ferguson, John Rizza, Jared Considine)
 - NRCS/ODF:
 - Several funding opportunities across the four counties (RCPP, CIS, etc.)
 - Application period for 2023 should open this Fall
 - Contact local NRCS and/or ODF office for information on priority areas, qualification, and how to apply
 - Senate Bill 762 (Wildfire Bill)
 - Funding opportunities: Landscape Resiliency Program (LRP); Small Forestland Grant; Firewise Grant
 - Several Partners submitting grants as part of this Bill - Firewise communities in Baker, Grant, Wallowa; an LRP in Union; Small Forestland Grants; and others
 - Funding Opportunities Discussion
 - Need a location where resources can be available and updated regularly
 - Information on types of programs, how to apply, current priority areas, and who to contact
 - Jacob to explore and put information on website (neoswa.com)
- Other Business
 - Still need a representative from Grant County on the Board; Jacob, Brandon, and Irene Jerome can support NEOSWA activities in Grant County and explore recruitment

Adjourn: 7:30 PM

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 3rd, 2022
Board and Member meeting. Program/Agenda to be sent in February.