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Amended: _____
Approved: _____
Recorder: _____
Secretary: _____

5/6/2025 MINUTES

Board of Directors

Miff Devin – Chair, Zone 1
Jim McElligott – Vice Chair, At-large
Brian Doherty – Treasurer, Zone 3

Staff & guests

Jared Huddleston – Nat Res Project Manager
Kevin Payne – District Manager
Tom Straughn – Umatilla SWCD

The meeting was called to order at 6:00pm by Miff Devin.

ACTION ITEMS:

The minutes from the April meeting were reviewed and approved by the board.

STAFF REPORTS/FINANCIAL REPORTS: Written staff reports were included in board packets; the April financial reports were reviewed by the board.

PARTNER REPORTS: N/A

DISTRICT CORRESPONDENCE: Kevin shared information about the upcoming Crop tour that OSU extension is hosting in Morrow County on May 15th at 2pm. Kevin talked about assisting with updating a Community Wildfire Protection Plan (CWPP) for Morrow County. There is an Oregon State Fire Marshall’s (OSFM) training in June that Kevin might attend that walks you through the development of completing a Community Wildfire Protection Plan. The OACD conference is October 21st – 23rd in Pendleton at Wildhorse.

Kevin informed the board that we submitted our 2025-2026 fiscal year budget to Morrow County and talked with Kevin Ince (County Finance Director) about our specific line item regarding a new vehicle purchase for our district.

OTHER BUSINESS: Kevin was able to adjust the work schedule for the ODF-SFG crew to show up the first week of June to do defensible space work around Penland Lake. Some of the NRCS staff are going to purchase a few flowers and plant them at the office building on May 18th.

There were no public comments

The next meeting will be June 3rd at 6pm in Heppner at the Ag Service Center building and available via zoom. The meeting was adjourned at 6:15pm.