

# Partnership for the Umpqua Rivers

## MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES

**Date** February 19, 2013

**Place** ODFW Conference Room 4192 N. Umpqua Highway, Roseburg

### CALL TO ORDER:

The PUR president elect, Paul Heberling called the meeting to order at 9:06 A.M.

### INTRODUCTION AND ROLL CALL:

There were 26 people in attendance. There was a quorum of Directors present.

### DIRECTORS AND ALTERNATES:

Agriculture & Livestock	Present	Absent	Alternate	Present	Absent
Walt Gayner	X				
Stanley Petrowski	X		Dianne Phillips	X	
Paul Heberling	X		Stan Huebner		X

Timber, Aggregate, Construction & Mining	Present	Absent	Alternate	Present	Absent
Darin McMichael (President)	X		Bryan Nelson		X
Dave Russel	X		Aaron Aasen		X
Dave Archambault		X	Bill Rice		X
Mike Flewelling	X		Kelly Guido		X

Fishing, Recreation & Conservation	Present	Absent	Alternate	Present	Absent
Mike Brochu	X		Jim Yingst	X	
David Parker	X				
Alan Bunce	X		Richard Chasm	X	
Ken Ferguson		X	Dale Greeley		X

Cities, Special Districts & Public Utilities	Present	Absent	Alternate	Present	Absent
Deborah Yates		X	Rhonda Black		X
Blair Nash		X	Pending		X
Rich Grost		X	Ken Carloni	X	

County	Present	Absent	Alternate	Present	Absent
Joe Laurence	X		Tom Manton		X

Tribes	Present	Absent	Alternate	Present	Absent
Heather Bartlett	X		John Schaefer		X

Members at Large	Present	Absent	Alternate	Present	Absent
M.A. Hansen	X				

### OTHERS PRESENT:

Donna Fouts  
Jake Gibbs

Debbie Thornton  
Mark Trenholm

Jake Winn  
Dave Swartzlander

Eric Riley  
Ted Huffman

Terry Burleson  
Eric Himmelreich

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- The minutes and staff reports from the January 15, 2013 meeting were approved; Stan Petrowski made motion, Joe Laurance 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. The motion passed.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION AND PUBLIC INPUT:**

- Richard Chasm talked about the meetings that Landowners United was holding in regards to the LNG pipeline. Meetings are taking place to negotiate with landowners to sell their properties with several options. He encouraged others to attend.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT:** Darin McMichael

- Darin reported that he missed the January meeting because he was at a Tree Growers Conference in Redding, CA. He did get a chance to stop by the office and discussed the Umpqua Fisheries Enhancement Derby. He mentioned the Log Price talk he had with Eric and Terry regarding establishing fish log prices this year since the log market is currently up. Darin also announced that he was leaving his position at C&D Lumber and is moving to Sliver Butte Timber be the Forest Manager/Log Buyer. He is moving over to the land management side.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** Eric Geyer

- Eric Geyer was out so Debbie Thornton gave the following report:
- Treasurers Report:
 

Bank Account	\$53,117.23
Outstanding Bills	\$36,612.62
Cash on Hand	\$16,504.61
Unrestricted Funds	\$171,845.12
Funds Requested	\$106,121.94

**STAFF REPORT: January 10, 2013 – February 14, 2013**

- Eric Riley, Executive Director:
  - PUR Board Meeting
  - Attended the OWEB Board Meeting in Cottage Grove and spoke on behalf of the Council with regards to the Council Support proposed changes
  - Was off for about a week for recovery after knee surgery
  - Attended and presented at the 2013 State of the Beaver Conference in Canyonville
  - Facilitated a Staff Meeting
  - Conference call Board Meeting with the Network of Oregon Watershed Councils. The network is in the process of finding a new Director
  - Attended a meeting with partners on the Elk Creek, Tiller project to go over project progress
  - Met with Audrey Barnes and Dave Loomis to discuss Derby Grant offerings and Derby funding strategies
  - Worked with Matt to put the first contract out for bid for this summer's work in WFSR
  - Met with Matt and Terry to go over upcoming work requirements for the spring and summer. An excellent planning session for grants, contracting, implementation, and 5-year plan
  - Assisted Terry with Monitoring Reports
- Debbie Thornton, Fiscal and Data Manager:
  - Attended PUR Board Meeting
  - Prepared more fund requests
  - Prepared annual reports for BLM
  - Prepared w-2s and 1099s
  - Prepared payroll reports
  - Paid bills

- Terry Burleson, Planner:
  - Worked with Amy P.D., ODFW and BLM biologists to complete Rock Creek instream restoration grant for the Governor's Fund for the Environment.
  - Met with Matt to continue project planning for summer 2013 projects.
  - Met with Denise Hoffert-Hay, a dam removal specialist working for American Rivers, and Dave Williams, Douglas County Watermaster, to scope potential work in Myrtle Creek.
  - Completed Wolf Creek Instream final report.
  - Worked on Wolf Creek Helicopter Log Placement final report.
  - Worked on Brush Creek Instream final report.
  - Worked with Ann Kercher to develop OWEB small grants for riparian work on a tributary to Clover Creek and Days Creek.
  - Attended meeting with BLM fisheries and hydrology staff to share program developments.
  - Met with Eric, Matt, and ODFW biologists to plan summer 2013 instream work and to plan summer 2014 project development.
  - Coordinated with partners for the Myrtle Creek Technical Assistance project.
- Sandy Lyon, Monitoring Coordinator:
  - Attended Council Meeting and staff meetings
  - Attended Hydro Breakfast
  - Working on Wolf Creek Weir and Gravel Study final report
  - Joe continues weekly volunteer monitoring runs and helping mark sites in Smith River
- Matt Ruwaldt, Wetland Project Manager:
  - Attended and presented at the State of the Beaver Conference
  - Wrote an article for our "Fish Tales" newsletter
  - Met with Brian Swift, SRWC, and Rhonda Black, SWCD to discuss our FWS Coastal Grant opportunity
  - Continued Coastal Grant prep work -Continued design work on Camp Creek
  - Flagged and staked all sites on WFSR
  - Prepared specifications and verbage for WFSR boulder purchase/placement on WFSR with Eric and Terry
  - Attended the PUR board meeting
  - Attended the PUR staff meeting
  - Worked with Eric and Terry to come up with a work plan to accomplish tasks that need to be done prior to this summer
  - Monitoring and final report writing

**INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR REPORT: January 10, 2013 – February 14, 2013**

- Nancy Geyer, Education and Outreach Consultant
  - Helped DTO with the annual Umpqua Fishery Enhancement Derby
  - Assisted Amy P-D with Fish Eggs to Fry
  - Communicated with partners on the UFA Canyonville Fish Release
  - Worked on the newsletter.
- Ann Kercher, Culvert Inventory Specialist
  - Met with county forester Marty Amos to discuss development of new prescription for planting and weed treatment in riparian areas.
  - Fate/Days creeks site visit with planting and herbicide contractor Dan Shepherd.
  - Clover Creek tributary site visit with Eric Himmelreich and Lee Sandberg.
  - Discussed Paradise Creek erosion control at the Arsenault ranch with Terry.
  - Completed small grant application for Fate/Days Creek Riparian Restoration project.
  - Completed small grant application for Clover Creek Tributary Restoration project.

- Amy Pinson Dumm, Grant Writer:
  - Worked with Terry on a grant application to the Oregon Governor's Fund for the Environment.
  - Attended staff and contractors meeting at PUR office
  - Drafted an application to ODFW R&E for restoration work in Bilger Creek.

**STAFF UPDATES:**

- Eric – The staff has been working diligently on Monitoring and Final Reports and we have started preparing contracts for 2013 field season. Dave Russell mentioned some potential concern with Dam Removals and recommended that the Council should proceed carefully and make sure that any work in that area is completely transparent.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

- Eric – Need to establish a date for the Nominations Committee and Finance Committee to get together. Some dates were discussed, but no decisions were made. It was decided that Debbie/Eric will send out a Doodle request for meeting dates. No firm date on the next Education and Outreach Committee meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS: Eric Riley**

- Eric – Gave a Formosa Mine update based on an email from Chris Cora of EPA. Request for the email to be forwarded to the Directors and Alternates by Dave Russell. Paul Heberling asked about a website posting.

**PRESENTATION(S):** Mark Trenholm, Salmon Stronghold Program Manager for the Wild Salmon Center gave a presentation on the Wild Salmon Center and the Salmon Stronghold Initiative and how it pertains to PUR. His talk included a short video and there was a period of discussion and questions.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- Technical Advisory Committee (TAC): Terry Burleson – NTR
- Finance Committee: Debbie Thornton – NTR
- Nominations Committee: Darin McMichael – No meeting planned but we do need to schedule one for March, it's time to start thinking about the next president elect and upcoming board member changes.
- Education Committee: Nancy Geyer – Paul Heberling talked about the UFA Fish Release and Invasive Species education. UFA Meeting to be held 26 February, 2013 to discuss invasives.
- Water Trails Steering Committee: NTR

**ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING AGENDA:**

- Presentation still being scheduled.

**UPCOMING MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

- Paul Heberling – The Fisherman's Assoc. fish release dates are, 3/14 & 4/7
- Eric Riley - March OWEB Board Meeting in Salem 11-12 March, 2013

**NEXT MEETING:** Tuesday, March 19<sup>th</sup> 2013

- We will be meeting at the ODFW Conference Room, 4192 N. Umpqua Highway, Roseburg

**ADJOURN:**

- The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 A.M.

/S/ Gilaine Wright/Eric Riley  
PUR Secretarys