



**Council
Minutes Meeting of
May 2, 2018**

Stakeholders Present:

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| Bob Baumgartner | Service Districts (Sewerage) Representative, Clean Water Services |
| Ruby Buchholtz | Environmental Organizations Primary Representative, Tualatin Riverkeepers |
| Alexis Cooley | Drinking Water Provider Representative, City of Hillsboro Water Department, Primary Representative (shared position) |
| Jan Miller | Citizen at Large Alternate Representative |
| Greg Mintz | Citizen at Large Primary Representative |
| Tom Nygren | Small Woodland Owners Primary Representative, Washington County Small Woodlands Association |
| Briita Pajunas | Soil & Water Conservation District Primary Representative, Tualatin SWCD |
| Jon Pampush | Fisheries Primary Representative, Trout Unlimited |
| Carla Staedter | Parks Alternate Representative, City of Tigard Parks |
| Rich Van Buskirk | Education Primary Representative, Pacific University |
| Ross Van Loo | Citizen at Large Primary Representative |

Staff Present

April Olbrich TRWC Coordinator

Guests Present:

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| Shannon Huggins | Clean Water Services |
| Wade Peerman | Oregon Dept. of Env. Quality, Tualatin Basin Coordinator |
| Laura Porter | Clean Water Services (presenter) |
| Chris Toole | Tualatin Basin resident and volunteer |

Welcome and Introductions: The meeting commenced at 7:00 p.m. with introduction.

Approval of April TRWC minutes: A motion was made by Greg Mintz and seconded by Jan Miller to adopt the April meeting minutes, which were adopted by consensus.

Public Comment and Member Updates.

“Stories of our Watershed” film event, Thursday night at the Hollywood Theater in NE Portland (from Briita) 7-9pm.

Presentation:

Update on Scoggins Dam- Tualatin Basin Joint Project.
Laura Porter, presenter from Clean Water Services.

A new title for the project has been decided upon to reflect the collaboration and progress made on this project. The new title is “Tualatin Basin Dam Safety and Water Supply Joint Project.”

The need for this project is two-fold:

1. The Cascadia Subduction Zone – the “BIG ONE”
 - a. This project first began in the early 2000’s but at the time folks weren’t aware that the Scoggins Dam was susceptible to a large Cascadia subduction zone earthquake – science needed to catch up “seismic risks”
2. Additional storage for additional water demands
 - a. River instream flow and temperature
 - b. Currently used for irrigation, flood storage, water quality, municipal and commercial uses
 - c. In 2015 all the water was used.

Three design options for Scoggins dam:

1. Modify existing dam to make it meet new safety standards but not increase any storage, instead it would have reservoir restrictions (not really an option).
2. Raise existing dam about 17 feet and modify it to meet new safety standards. This will create more storage space within current reservoir area.
3. Build new downstream dam that meets new safety standards that keeps the existing water level height and creates more storage from Scoggins Dam to the new dam (preferred option).

Goals: Secure the reliability of current owners stored water with CWS getting the additional water. Maintain rural industry and jobs.

Next steps:

1. Design and investigations underway. Seismic modifications.
2. \$150 - \$400 million estimated project costs.
3. Haven’t started NEPA yet – but project is picking up speed
4. During the summer staff will be on the ground talking with property owners and gathering information on cultural and environmental presence
5. The NEPA timeline of 12 months will be tough to follow, but trying to front load the work beforehand to meet the new timeline

Balm Grove Dam Update

CWS purchased the property and is managing it for invasive plants. Early design work is underway on the downstream impacts of removing the dam.

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Discussion: Council Business: Update on TRWC transition plan.

Rich Van Buskirk, Chair of the Council presented on an updated budget and plan for the upcoming staff transition. The budget now includes a full time Executive Director and a part time Office Manager. The budget also includes funds for updating technology such as, website, software, computers, etc. The timeline for the new ED and the Council is as follows:

2018/2019 – Transition

2019/2020 – Implementation

2020/2021 – Expansion

Next steps:

Provide scopes of work to partners to secure funding.

Council Coordinator, Council Committee and Member updates.

Coordinator updates:

- 1) Need for additional TRWC volunteers to assist on May 19 Tualatin River National Wildlife Refuge Bird Festival Day outreach.
- 2) Coordinator participated in the April 2018 CONNECT conference and attended many timely educational sessions.
- 3) East Fork Dairy Creek grant was awarded by OWEB; the Coordinator will be working on the project permits during May.
- 4) Gales Creek/Clear Creek Confluence Project will be implemented during the in-water work period of 2018.

The Coordinator asked if there were any questions on the April 2018 Project Updates which were part of the meeting packet materials. None were asked.

The meeting adjourned at 9: 00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruby Buchholtz
Co-Secretary

June 6, 2018 TRWC refreshments: Tualatin SWCD

Roving Steering Committee member for June 14 meeting: None