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TO: The Record
SUBJECT: November 1, 2012 Board of Supervisors Meeting
LOCATION: USDA Service Center, Okanogan, WA
FROM: Kim Simpson, District Treasurer

PRESENT:

Ivan Oberg, Chair	Jerry Asmussen, Vice-Chair
Albert Roberts, District Auditor	Lorah Super, Member
Wes Hover, Member	Craig Nelson, District Manager
Kim Simpson, District Treasurer	Bob Clark, Technical Coordinator
Kirsten Cook, Conservation Educator	Terri Williams, Conservation Planner
Leslie Michel, Conservation Planner	Gerri Oberg, Associate Supervisor
Randy Kelley, NRCS	

Regular Meeting Call To Order: Ivan Oberg called the meeting to order at 4:00 PM.

Agenda: The agenda was presented. Craig Nelson asked that the 2013 Okanogan Conservation District budget, a resolution on savings transfers, a resolution on vehicle fund transfers, and approval for staff to contract a LiDAR survey of Loup Loup Creek area be added to new business. Lorah Super moved to approve and the agenda as amended. Albert Roberts seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of Minutes: Ivan Oberg asked for comments on the **October 4, 2012 minutes**. Lorah Super moved to approve the minutes as presented. Albert Roberts seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report #714, which covers the checking account activity for October 5, 2012 to November 2, 2012, inclusive was presented for the Board's approval. The following vouchers/checks are approved for payment:

Payroll direct withdrawals; on 10-17-12 totaling \$8,023.46,
Payroll direct withdrawals; on 11-2-12 totaling \$8,048.48,
Voucher (check) numbers; 9655 to 9661 totaling \$753.72,
Direct withdrawals on 10-9-12 totaling \$2,454.85, on 10-11-12 totaling \$200.00, on 10-16-12 totaling \$12.60, on 10-18-12 totaling \$2,585.32, on 10-18-12 totaling \$160.00, on 10-18-12 totaling \$189.56, on 10-23-12 totaling \$2,454.88, on 10-25-12 totaling \$85.08, on 10-25-12

totaling \$412.68, on 10-25-12 totaling \$229.18, on 10-25-12 totaling \$32.71 on 10-30-12 totaling \$982.39, on 10-31-12 totaling \$958.42, on 10-31-12 totaling \$67.89, and on 11-1-12 totaling \$278.29, and on 11-1-12 totaling \$12.60 and on 11-2-12 totaling \$164.56, and on 10-08-12 a transfer of \$138.00 to the savings account. The deposits totaled \$26,633.15 and expenditures totaled \$28,106.67. Albert Roberts moved to approve Treasurer's Report #714 as presented. Wes Hover seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Supervisor Reports:

Lorah Super – The harvest is in, the food is processed, and they have been busy breaking high elevation camps. She also assisted Kirsten Cook in making contacts in the Methow for the **Firewise** program.

Albert Roberts – The **Slow Food Okanogan** is this Saturday, November 3, 2012 at the Cultural Community Center in Tonasket starting at 6:00 PM. There will be a showing of the Initiative for Rural Innovation and Stewardship's (**IRIS**) most recent project, **Foodways and Byways**. Next week starts the **Washington Tilth Producers Annual Meeting** at Fort Worden. The Washington Tilth Producers are looking for a new Executive Director.

Wes Hover – The remainder of their irrigation systems were installed this fall and this time things moved more smoothly. He can already see an improvement in production from the fields that had the new pivots installed. Hoping to get final loads of hay over North Cascades before the weather shuts down the pass for the winter. He is also looking to get rid of 13 wiener pigs.

Ivan Oberg – He and Gerri just returned from a six state trip to see their son. The scenery was beautiful and the Bad Lands were very interesting.

District Manager and Staff Reports:

Craig Nelson reported on Washington Association of Conservation District's (**WACD**), **North Central Washington Area meeting**. There were only two resolutions presented and both were from the Okanogan Conservation District (OCD); both resolutions will go on to be presented at the WACD Annual Meeting at the end of the month. The OCD was awarded District of the Year for the North Central Washington Area.

Craig was able to do a tour of the **Beaver Creek** area with Natural Resources Conservation Services, State Conservationist, **Roylene Rides at the Door** and others. It was an excellent time to showcase what was done and the partnerships that were used.

Craig gave the board some background information regarding the office space situation. He also informed the board that Kim Simpson was able to secure a **phone system** from the District's insurance company, Enduris, for free.

Contracts & Conservation Plans

Terri Williams presented a conservation plan for **Ellis Barnes Cattle Company** on Whitestone Creek near Loomis, WA. The project proposal is to construct a hardened crossing for livestock, removal of invasive species, and livestock fencing. US Fish and Wildlife Service is interested in at least partially funding the project. Albert Roberts moved to approve the conservation plan. Jerry Asmussen seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Natural Resources Conservation Services:

Randy Kelley reported that he did not have much to report. Things are difficult with no Farm Bill, having to get approval from State Office to hold meetings with his own staff (which was denied), and other issues. Randy did hand out some material regarding **wildfire recovery** that was put together by Amy Hendershot, Chelan County Resource Conservationist for NRCS.

Agency Reports:

There were no agencies in attendance.

Old Business

Final Approval of WACD Annual Meeting Attendance – Albert Roberts moved to approve Jerry Asmussen's attendance at the **WACD Annual Meeting**. Lorah Super seconded the motion and the motion passed.

Task List

#11 – Can be removed as the mileage resolution to transfer surplus vehicle mileage will be addressed during New Business tonight.

There was no other old business.

New Business

Resolution 2012-05 - Setting a Supervisor Election Date – Kim Simpson presented resolution 2012-05 setting the 2013 District Supervisor Election. Several dates and options for holding it at various locations were discussed. Lorah Super moved to approve the resolution setting the election date for February 7, 2013, at the District Office (1251 2nd Ave. South, Okanogan WA 98840), from 11:30 AM to 3:30 PM. Jerry Asmussen seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

National Association of Conservation Districts Dues – NACD dues for 2013 are due. Lorah Super moved to pay \$500 to NACD for 2013 dues. Jerry Asmussen seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Okanogan Conservation District 2013 Budget – Kim presented the draft budget that she prepared with direct input from all of the District staff members. The draft budget indicates an estimated \$1,239,217 in revenues and expenditures. The board will review this budget and discuss it at the next board meeting.

Resolution 2012 -04 Savings Fund Transfers – Craig explained that this resolution will authorize the District Treasurer to transfer up to 10% of assessment funds from the checking account to the savings account as long as there are sufficient funds to cover monthly expenses in the checking account. Albert moved to approve Resolution 2012-04 Savings Fund Transfers. Jerry Asmussen seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 2012 – 06 Vehicle Mileage Fund Transfers – Kim presented the resolution that will authorize staff to transfer funds over and above expenses necessary to operate the District's vehicle fleet into an appropriate internal account for vehicle replacement each quarter. Lorah Super moved to approve Resolution 2012-06. Albert Roberts seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Loup Loup LiDAR – This is an irrigation efficiencies project proposal from the Colville Confederated Tribes that would use aerial photography and radar to do an in depth survey of the Johnny Appleseed Orchards and its irrigation system, including the canal from Loup Loup Creek to Leader Lake. The board decided they needed more information to make an effective decision.

Executive Session – The Board went into Executive Session at 5:40 PM for 15 minutes to discuss office space rental possibilities. The Board reconvened at 5:55 PM.

Ivan Oberg **adjourned** the meeting at 6:03 PM.

Summary of Motions

Lorah Super moved to approve and the agenda as amended. Albert Roberts seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

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Albert Roberts moved to approve Treasurer's Report #714 as presented. Wes Hover seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Albert Roberts moved to approve the Ellis Barnes Cattle Company conservation plan. Jerry Asmussen seconded the motion and the motion passed.

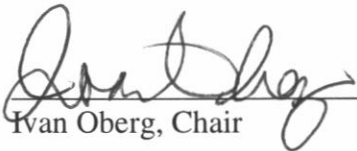
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Lorah Super moved to approve the resolution setting the election date, time and place. Jerry Asmussen seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.

Lorah Super moved to pay \$500 to NACD for 2013 dues. Jerry Asmussen seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Albert moved to approve Resolution 2012-04 Savings Fund Transfers. Jerry Asmussen seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Lorah Super moved to approve Resolution 2012-06 Vehicle Mileage Fund Transfers. Albert Roberts seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

 12/6/12
Ivan Oberg, Chair Date


Kim Simpson, District Treasurer Date