



Okanogan County VSP Meeting Minutes

1 A regular session of the Okanogan County VSP Workgroup was held on June 2, 2016 at 6:30
2 p.m. in Commissioner's Hearing Room, 123 5th Avenue North, Okanogan, Washington.

3 **OKANOGAN COUNTY STAFF:** Director Perry Huston, Natural Resources Planner Angela
4 Hubbard, Planner 1 Pam Wyllson, Administrative Secretary Lauren Davidson

5 **VOULUNTARY STEWARDSHIP MEMBERS:** Dan McCarthy, Bill Tackman, Les Kinney,
6 Nichole Kuchenbuch, Megan Kernan, Jerry Barnes

7 **OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Bill Eller, Don Jacobs, Lynda Hoffmann, Amy Martin

8 Meeting started at 6:30. Dan McCarthy approved the minutes from the May 11, 2016 meeting,
9 Jerry Barnes seconded. There was discussion on electing a chairman, the VSP members
10 decided they needed to wait until Dick Ewing is able to attend before they elect a chairman. The
11 VSP Project Coordinator Bill Eller from the Washington State Conservation Commission started
12 his presentation regarding the VSP. There was discussion about the maps that were created
13 and Les Kinney explained that the property he owns is not a wetland, however the map
14 indicates that it is a wetland. Natural Resources Planner Angela Hubbard explained that just
15 because the map indicates that there might be a wetland, they don't know for sure until
16 someone comes out and does a site visit, that the data is just showing possible wetlands. Les
17 Kinney asked for clarification on where exactly the data came from to create the maps. Angela
18 Hubbard explained that the data came from the conservation district, and the United States Fish
19 and Wildlife and that the maps were created by our GIS Department exclusively from the data
20 they were given, and that no site visits had been made to create those specific maps. Nicole
21 Kuchenbuch asked the staff about documentation of the meetings and what documents are
22 being recorded and held by the staff. Staff explained that they are keeping all agendas, meeting
23 minutes, and any documents or comments handed out during the meetings in the file. There
24 was brief discussion regarding liability of VSP members if the VSP gets taken to court. Nicole
25 also requested that staff provide monthly treasurer reports that show where the grant money is
26 going. Angela Hubbard asked the VSP members what they would like to see at the next
27 meeting. Jerry Barnes stated he wanted to do the Open Public Meetings Act training from
28 Youtube that was described in the VSP Presentation by Mr. Eller. They also wanted to know if
29 any tribal entities wanted to participate, the name Jackie Richter was suggested up as a
30 representative of the Colville Tribes, there was also discussion on having the Colville Tribe's
31 lead forester come to a meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 8:00.

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34 Lauren Davidson
35 Administrative Secretary