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NSSA Board Meeting #93
August 5, 2024, at 6:00 pm
Mill City, City Hall

<https://zoom.us/j/93414748822?pwd=MjJkM3VyY21YS1BDK2doVEplZ25uUT09>

Meeting ID: 934 1474 8822

Passcode: 454959

- A. Roll Call and Declarations of Conflicts of Interest
- B. Announcements
- C. Public Comment

Old Business

- D. Consent Agenda
- E. Approval of July 1st Regular Board Meeting Minutes

New Business

- F. September 2nd reschedule date
- G. Treasurer's Report (Evans)
 - a. Scofield airfare
- H. Staff Report (Conroy)
 - b. Google drive NSSA Video File Storage process
- I. County Update (Einmo)
- J. Agency Updates (DEQ, Business Oregon, Regional Solutions Coordinator)
- K. Executive Session: In accordance with ORS 192.660(2)(f) to consider information or records that are exempt from disclosure by law, including written advice from the NSSA attorney. ORS 192.660(2)(f).

Executive Sessions are closed to the public and all members of the audience are asked to leave the room for those attending virtually, we will place you in the waiting room.

Representatives of the news media and designated staff may attend Executive Sessions.

Representatives of the news media are directed not to report on any deliberations during the Executive Session. No decision may be made in executive session. At the end of the executive session, we will return to the open session and welcome the audience back into the room.

Upcoming Events:

Date	Event	Location
09/2024	NSSA Regular Board Meeting	Mill City, City Hall and Zoom
10/07/2024	NSSA Regular Board Meeting	Mill City, City Hall and Zoom



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NSSA TREASURY

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FOR

JULY 2024

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NSSA TREASURY

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NSSA STATUS

Starting 1 July, we will be starting the 24 – 25 fiscal budget.

NSSA TREASURY

NSSA GENERAL LEDGER, FISCAL 24- 25

Date	Starting Balance	Deposits	Invoices Paid	Check #	Invoice #	Category	US Bank Balance	COMMENTS
June 30, 2024							\$52,568.24	June 30 ending balance
July 12, 2024	\$52,568.24		\$1,217.54	1045	PO-NSSA-12024-00		\$51,350.70	CIS 24 - 25 POLICY
July 12, 2024	\$51,350.70		\$2,183.38	1046	3344B		\$49,167.32	MWVCOG
July 14, 2024	\$49,167.32		\$17.95				\$49,149.37	Single Point service

INVOICES RECEIVED IN JULY

Invoice # PO-NSSA-12024-00	\$ 1,217.54	CIS Policy renewal
Invoice # 334b	\$ 2,183.38	MWVCOG



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Date: August 2, 2024
To: NSSA Board
From: Laura Conroy, Project Manager and Budget Officer
Subject: July Staff Report

Introduction

This memo provides an overview of staff activities for July in support of the NSSA. With the budget approved and the IGAs drafted and ready, staff prioritized coordinating discussions and efforts to update the three-basin rule with Marion County and other interested parties.

Communications

COG staff is continuing to develop and implement a communications strategy with MIG, Kellar's communications contractor, to inform interested parties about the need for a three-basin rule update. Materials include an FAQ, letters and resolutions of support for cities and other public bodies to adopt, powerpoint for Marion County public works city council presentation, cover memo and actual petition language. COG requested a list of interested parties from DEQ and worked with City of Salem in an effort to ensure engagement with all known or knowable interested parties. COG will be placing these materials on NSSA website. County public works staff and COG are scheduling staff-level meetings with other waste water utilities and city council meetings with interested parties.

Regulatory /Legislative Pathway Meetings

COG staff continue to coordinate with County staff, DEQ and interested parties in support of a petition to update the Three Basin Rule in response to the Supreme Court's *Maui* decision and draft EPA guidance to ensure the treatment facilities being designed and constructed can be permitted to operate. Efforts have primarily been focused on communications and outreach.

COG continues to support staff level meetings between the County and downstream parties to discuss the need for a three basin update. COG arranged a meeting with Marion County and the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde staff to discuss the update to the three-basin rule. Tribal staff requested additional information and will work to present information to the tribal council in September.

The petition for the rule update will be filed on August 8th and the Environmental Quality Commission as 90 days to take action on the petition. Any rule that the EQC adopts is likely to take effect in May 2024. Simultaneously, conversations have restarted about a bill for the 2025 session that would create statutory authority for the development and permitting of domestic sewage treatment facilities in the three basins in the event an administrative rule change process is unsuccessful.

Construction Funding

COG staff continued to meet with county staff, business Oregon and the regional solutions team coordinator regarding other funding sources.

Detroit Commercial Septic Grants

The County continues to reach out to commercial septic owners in Detroit. As the county will explain in their update, the DEQ has signaled that commercial septic owners will be required to obtain WPCF permits. This is a change in agency interpretation its rules that may delay construction of commercial septic solutions.

Residential Septic Grants

The deadline for applying for residential septic grants is October 1 of this year. COG and Marion County both have grant funds available for residential septic grants. COG received a 2 million dollar grant from DEQ. The amount of COG's grant awards depends on the property owners income in 2021. Higher amounts are available for individuals with income below the Census determined median income level. COG has awarded 121 grants for a total of \$626,500 distributed to canyon property owners.

Grants by City
Gates: 15
Detroit: 56
Lyons: 49
Mill City: 1
Total: 121