

# MINUTES OF THE EAST CASCADES AUDUBON SOCIETY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

May 3, 2016

Date and Notice: The Board of Directors meeting was held at 6:00 p.m. on May 3, 2016, at The Environmental Center. All meeting dates for 2016 were established by the Board at its meeting on January 9, 2016, and a notice listing all dates was provided to members. An agenda for the meeting was provided to the Board by email on April 26, 2016; an updated agenda was provided to the Board by email on May 1, 2016.

Attendance and Quorum: Present were Directors Ken Hashagen, Danielle Lordi, Jan Rising, Terri Hyde, Tom Lawler, Ted Groszkiewicz, and Sherrie Pierce. Karen Gentry and John Brune were absent. A quorum was present throughout the Board meeting.

## Reports and Discussion:

1. President Ken Hashagen convened the meeting at 6:04 p.m. The April 5, 2016 Board meeting minutes were approved unanimously.
2. The financial reports for March 2016 were delivered electronically on April 26, 2016, to the Board. There were no corrections or questions.
  - a. Whether and when to cut off donations for EagleCam was discussed. It was proposed that we ask Leslie to change the language on the website soliciting donations to specify that donations will go toward ECAS conservation work if costs exceed donation to camera itself. No indication thus far re overages (Terri not receiving bills.)
  - b. 990 and CC12 (OR) filed.
  - c. DHWF has made approximately \$5,200. We had budgeted \$7,000 for 2016, but we're about with last year. Alcohol permit has been purchased.
  - d. Winter Raptor Count reimbursement--9 requests for reimbursement thus far.
  - e. Insurance: purchased 1 million per occurrence/2 million aggregate (although purchased 1 million/1 million, policy reflects increased amount).
3. Laughridge Grant Requests – Sherrie: Grant committee recommends approval of grants for *Greenhouse to Greenscapes* (expansion of Hummingbird Habitat Garden) and Vent Pipe Caps and Screening for Vault Toilets on USFS Bend-Fort Rock District land. Terri will write check to Discover Your Forest for both (facilitating funding of projects). Sherrie will take care of write-ups and send approval letter (will inquire with Karen re to whom to send).
  - a. Tom moved to approve the vent cap project for minimum expenditure of \$1,500 (known costs) with contingency of \$250 for unknowns. Terri seconded. Approved unanimously. (Funded by a Laughridge grant; ECAS project)

- b. Ted moved that we approve the grant for the hummingbird garden project. Terri seconded. Approved unanimously.
4. Conservation Projects – Tom: Sage Grouse ramps not yet complete. Cabin Lake cleanup and installation of new metal pole suet feeders completed; reconstruction of lower blind nearly complete. Tom will be looking at possibility of using concrete to fill gaps between rock floor and blind bottom. \$500 allocated; has spent \$543. Fence tags; on hold. Tom will talk to Marty at Summer Lake Shorebird Count about this. Karen wants to take on Whiskey Springs restoration. Sherrie suggested that Wednesday birders volunteer. One or two more projects possible before year's end. We have list of volunteers from Birder's Night; Tom will send email to these people. Sherrie will provide Tom the volunteer spreadsheet.
  5. DHWF16 Update – Ken: Scouting efforts started, need more. Bathroom facilities ordered; need to confirm locations. Ken having trouble with Forest Service, despite submission same as last year; Ken will continue to seek resolution and obtain permit approval. Food ordered—same as last year (type and amount) at no cost to us (participants pay Angeline's). Tshirt order 90: 0s/10m/20l/14xl/5xxl/1xxxl men=50 and 3s/14m/15l/7xl/1xx=40 (down from 150 last year).
  6. Eagle Cam & Deschutes Land Trust – Jan & Ken: DLT wants to be involved with Eagle Cam project next year, will discuss with Sherrie after nesting season. Kevin upset re MOU, but indications are that this has been resolved.
  7. Climate Conference – Jan: Potential sponsorship: Diane Hodiak and John Groland involved with 350 Deschutes, organizing October 3-4, 2016 climate change conference at Mt. Bachelor Village conference center. Terri suggests we run through grants committee as accumulated funds grant and then bring back to Board for approval.
  8. OAC Report – Danielle: Danielle attended and updated conference participants on ECAS educational efforts (particularly with kids). Provided conservation report PowerPoint and other materials from conference to Board to review.
  9. Bluebird Audubon Project - Ken: ECAS has been asked to participate in ongoing Audubon project monitoring bluebird populations and effects of climate change on bird populations. Danielle will organize.
  10. Library Program Request – Sherrie: Request from Tina Davis on 4/19 for ECAS participation in backyard birding program through library (August or September 2016). Sherrie will forward contact information and Tom will contact Tina.
  11. Prineville Bird Walk – Sherrie: has been slow thus far, but participants are enjoying.
  12. From Steve Dougill. Prineville library interested in coordinating bird walk on June 11, 2016. Judy will be there, and anyone else interested should join.
  13. Earth Day update: ECAS materials + window display re preventing bird strikes + Elise Wolf. Success.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Actions Taken:

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to approve the and April 5, 2016 minutes.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to approve the vent cap project for minimum expenditure of \$1,500 (known costs) with contingency of \$250 for unknowns.

It was moved, seconded, and approved unanimously to approve the grant for the hummingbird garden project.

Approved at the Board meeting of June 7 , 2016

Danielle Lordi, Recording Secretary