

VOLUNTARY STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

WORK GROUP MEETING MINUTES

July 21, 2026, 6:00-8:00

Called to order by Ron at 6:05 pm

Attendees:

Ryan Ells	Kelly Verd	Tara Snelson (Zoom)
Tracy Spencer	Sharon Ernst	Chris Aldrich (Zoom)
Mike Poteet	Marissa Briggs	Lydia Tevis (Zoom)
		Jake Fay (Zoom)
		Ron Averill (Zoom)

All members made introductions.

Mike Poteet from Washington State Conservation Commission gave an update on VSP and answered any questions the work group members had.

Jake Fay was appointed to our board to replace Brian Merryman. A motion was made and seconded, motion carried.

Approval was needed to hire a contractor to do maintenance work at Strid's in the fall and spring. Sharon made a motion to approve \$8,000 to go towards hiring a contractor for Strid maintenance. Ryan seconded the motion, motion carried.

VSP Tour will be August 18, 2026, from 8:30-3:30. I have attached the flyer with the information.

Lewis CD will have a booth at the fair to promote all programs. We will need volunteers to sit at the fair booth. If you're interested in signing up for a spot us know.

Approval needed to spend up to \$5,000 on everyday supplies and anything needed for the fair booth. A motion was made by Tracy and seconded by Sharon for the approval to purchase supplies, motion carried.

Open public meetings training is required, and all board members need to do the training. We will be doing this at our October meeting, or you can do it on your own before the October meeting. Here is the link and certificate for the training. [Link for Public Meeting Act Training](#)

Next Meeting is October 20, 2026.

Meeting was adjourned by Ron at 7:15.