

EASTERN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
MEETING MINUTES, FRIDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2011

Chairman – Larry Guenther, Stevens County Commissioner
Vice-Chairman – Rudy Plager, Adams County Commissioner
Secretary – Richard Stevens, Grant County Commissioner
Treasurer – Dennis Bly – Lincoln County Commissioner

1. Call to Order

Secretary Richard Stevens called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

Introductions

Members in Attendance

Richard Stevens – Grant County
Dennis Bly – Lincoln County
Rob Coffman – Lincoln County

Brian Dansel – Ferry County
Scott Hutsell – Lincoln County

Guests

Wes McCart – Stevens County Farm Bureau
Mallory Conner – Tri County Economic Development District

2. Approval of Minutes – September 2011

There was no quorum (representation from at least 4 counties) so no action was taken.

3. Treasurer's Report & Approval of Vouchers – September, 2011

Dennis Bly reported the following:

September Treasurer's Report & Vouchers:

There is a total of \$44,084.36 in the EWCOG checking account. Currently, there is no money invested.

The following vouchers were presented for approval:

- o \$313.64 – Tri County Economic Development District – EWCOG Administration, September 2011

TOTAL: \$313.64

There was no quorum (representation from at least 4 counties) so no action was taken.

4. Open Discussion

-Rob Coffman talked about WSAC and the Legislative Steering Committee. He provided a list of ideas/ideals that came out of that Committee. Discussion followed

-There was brief discussion about the Federal delisting of wolves and the State's stance on the matter. Lengthy discussion regarding wolf and cougar issues followed.

-There was discussion regarding the Forest Plan, potential wilderness designations, and the effect on the timber industry in our area.

-Dennis Bly talked about the Critical Area's Ordinance and the Voluntary Stewardship Plan program. There was discussion about the pros and cons of opting out of the latter.

-There was brief mention of the possible loss of .09 monies and economic enhancement monies (from the State) in 2012.

5. New Business

There was no new business.

6. Old Business

There was no old business.

7. Set Next Meeting Date/Time

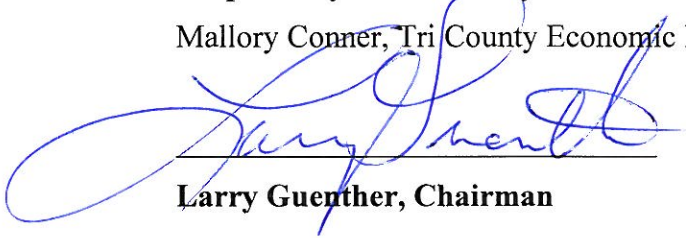
There was discussion about the most preferable date for the December EWCOG meeting. It was decided that Friday, December 9, 2011 will work the best.

8. Adjournment

As there was no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Mallory Conner, Tri County Economic Development District



Larry Guenther

Larry Guenther, Chairman

12-9-11
Date

ATTEST



Richard Stevens

Richard Stevens, Secretary

12-9-11
Date