



Clallam Conservation District

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Regular Board Meeting

October 11, 2022

Armory Square, OlyCap Conference Room and via Zoom
228 W. First St., Ste. G, Port Angeles, WA

MINUTES

Supervisors Present: Christy Cox, Chair; Bennett Smith, Vice-Chair; Lori DeLorm, Auditor; Nicole Rasmussen; Robert Beebe

Supervisors Absent:

Associate Supervisors Present:

Staff Present: Kim Williams, District Manager, Jennifer Bond and Meghan Adamire, Conservation Planners; Kevin Merrigan, Field Technician,; Judy Minnoch, Bookkeeper/Administrative Asst.

Others Present: Hannah Coe, Water Quality Specialist with Dept. of Ecology (ECY)

Presiding Officer: Christy Cox, Chair

Secretary: Judy Minnoch

Meeting called to order at 3:01 PM.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of Minutes

Discussion with a conclusion that moving forward, when a motion is not approved unanimously, a roll call vote will be taken.

Ben Smith moved to approve the minutes from the September 13, 2022 regular board meeting as presented.

Nicole Rasmussen seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

REPORTS

District

Kim reported the big highlight of the month was hiring Kevin. As for financials, the SCC Livestock Grant is used up and SCC DOH NEP grant ends in March. These grants are primarily for livestock funds. Jennifer and Meghan are applying through Dept. of Ecology (DOE), for more livestock funds as well as the Puget Sound Caucus is putting in a combined proposal for National Estuary Program (NEP) funds.

Meghan worked on quite a bit of farm planning this past month, and helped NRCS contact farms that have active Environmental Quality Incentives Program contracts. NRCS has not advertised the position for our local office yet, so as of now technicians from other counties will continue to serve our area. Meghan has worked on planning, promotion and registrations for the Orca Recovery events, and has got the green light to proceed with a cultural resources survey for a potential CREP project on the Hoko River. The archeologist from Cascadia Conservation District may be coming up as soon as next week take a look at that site.

Jennifer reported that the district is submitting two applications for Dept. of Ecology's Combined Water Quality funding and that the applications will be submitted on October 12th. Thank you to Hannah (with DOE) for providing some

examples and helping along with this process. One application was submitted to continue technical assistance to horse and livestock operations and planning efforts in the Clean Water District. The second project was a proposal to expand the Onsite Septic System (OSS) cost share program county-wide to focus on impaired water bodies that are listed on DOE 303(d) list. Currently the OSS cost share program is limited to shellfish and PIC project areas within the Clean Water District and the county commissioners have asked the District to look into expanding the program.

Kevin reported that his first week here he got his computer setup and getting familiar with ArcGIS. He has also been assisting Meghan with marketing of Orca Recovery Week. He attended the River's Edge Mulching event yesterday, it was a pretty good crowd of volunteers. He assisted Kim in the Walk presentation and was able to answer several questions from those attending.

NRCS - None

SUPERVISOR

Robert Beebe introduced himself.

Nicole Rasmussen reported they have been tracking water quality and quantity and this is record lows as we sit now. The tribes, park and state will be meeting this upcoming week because there just isn't enough water out there for the fish to get up. Orca Recovery Day planting has also been delayed with this heat.

WACD – The WACD area meeting was today. There were a couple of resolutions that were brought forth. One was to increase the cost-share amounts on the easement programs because costs are rising on everything. The harmful algae blooms was brought forth again by Whidbey Island to help revamp and improve that program. There was also another resolution brought forward by Pierce CD to remove the \$5 cap on rates and charges.

WSCC

DOE - Hannah Coe said that in DOE's newsletter this month they highlighted that the state's water quality assessment has been updated.

Treasurer's Report

Ben Smith moved to approve the September 2022 Treasurer's report and approval of payments described as checks: FF10605-10618 and electronic fund transfers dated September 1-30, 2022 in the amount of \$46,033.14.

Lori DeLorm seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Inter-local Agreement with J'SKT Historical Preservation Officer

Ben Smith moved to approve the Inter-local Agreement between Clallam Conservation District and Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe for cultural resources assistance.

Lori DeLorm seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Donation Policy

Ben Smith moves to approve the Donation's Policy as amended

Robert Beebe seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Elections Resolution #202210-03

Extra marketing will include a post card reminder to request a ballot and an ongoing link. Also, handing out ballots when delivering plants at the plant sale pick-up. It was also recommended to add a pop-up to our website.

Ben Smith moves to approve Clallam Conservation District Election Resolution #202210-03.

Lori DeLorm seconded the motion. Motion approved unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:13PM.

