

MASON CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Supervisors Meeting

February 21, 2013

The regular meeting of the Mason Conservation District Board of Supervisors was called to order by Chairman Bill Burrows at 4:00 p.m.

Board Members present: Michelle McCallum, Bonnie Hall, Adam James, and Jason Ragan. Associate Supervisors Larry Boltz and David Mackey were also present.

Staff present: John Bolender, Linda Gott, Gavin Glore, Amy Hatch-Winecka, Ron Cummings, Evan Bauder, Dan Blatt, Brandee Gregory, and Rich Geiger

Others present: None

Minutes – The minutes of December 20, 2012 were approved as corrected. The minutes of December 28, 2012 were approved as corrected.

(M-McCallum, S-Ragan, P-Unanimously,) Dec 20 minutes; (M-Hall, S-McCallum, P-Unanimously) Dec 28 minutes.

Financial Report – The financial report for December 2012 including checks 12664-12710 was reviewed by Board Auditor Michelle McCallum and approved by board action. The financial report for January 2013, including checks 12711-12759 was also reviewed and approved.

(M-Hall, S-James, P-Unanimously – Dec. report) (M-James, S-Ragan, P-Unanimously – Jan. report)

Old Business

WSCC Field Tour – Bonnie Hall thanked John, Rich, and Gavin for their efforts in coordinating an outstanding field tour of three MCD projects. She and Bill Burrows remarked that the attending group was visibly impressed with the scope and quality of the MCD projects. This positive feedback continued throughout afternoon, into the evening meeting, and the Commission meeting the following day.

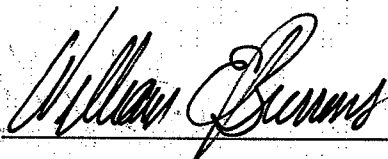
WSCC January Meeting – Bill and John attended. Bill summarized a detailed discussion regarding the 3DT recommendations. After some contentious discussion a motion was made by WACD representative for WSCC to convene a statewide public forum to receive input on the 3DT recommendations. The motion was passed with two no votes and one abstention.

Following a break a second motion was made to inform the Directors of Department of Agriculture and the Department of Ecology that the WSCC was prepared to support the effort to engage the public on the 3DT recommendations. The motion passed unanimously. MCD Board expressed some concern with how WACD handled the 3DT issue.

3DT Update - John reported that process is progressing. Public meetings are expected to be held later this Spring to receive input. He will coordinate our response to the eleven recommendations with MCD staff.

2013 Election – John reported that only one petition for the open position was received. It was from Bonnie Hall, who currently holds the position. Therefore, per WAC no election is necessary. John has filed the appropriate forms with the WSCC. A short discussion ensued as to district elections. Participating in a county wide ballot election could cost MCD in excess of \$20K. There is currently no specific funding available to cover election costs for conservation districts.

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New Business

LGIP – Linda and John outlined the parameters for joining the Local Government Investment Pool administered by the office of the Washington State Treasurer. Our cash reserves would be held in this pool, earning interest, until needed by the District. Withdrawals and additions are easily handled by District staff. A Board resolution to join was approved.

(M-Ragan, S-Hall, P-Unanimously)

Accounting Software Transition - Linda reported that the transition to the BIAS accounting software is underway. It will take 2 to 3 months to fully accomplish the transition.

OTHER

Staff Reports – Those staff members present gave brief reports on the status of various projects and activities.

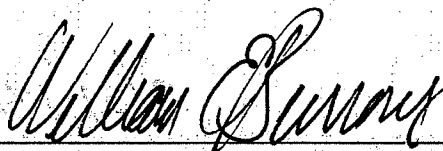
MCDPH – None

NRCS Report – None

WSCC Report – None

With all business concluded, Chairman Burrows adjourned the meeting at 5:50 p.m.

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