The meeting of the Mason Conservation District Board of Supervisors was called to order by Board Chair Jason Ragan at 4:01 pm.

**Board Members present:** Larry Boltz, Myron Ougendal, Jason Ragan and Michael O’Day (arrived at 4:50 pm).

**Staff present:** Evan Bauder, John Bolender, and Jenifer Sliva.

**Minutes August 16, 2018:** The minutes were reviewed and approved.

(M – Boltz, S – Ougendal, Passed – Unanimously)

**August Financial Report:** The Auditor reviewed the August financial report as presented. Check numbers 18905 through 18938 including EFT’s were issued in the month for the amount of $244,633.26. The report was approved as presented.

(M-Boltz, S – Ougendal– Passed -Unanimously)

**PROGRAM & STAFF UPDATES**

**Business & Finance:** Jenifer Sliva, Financial Accountant requested that a Finance Committee meeting be considered for the month of October for Budget consideration.

The Port lease agreement requires notice be given if the District choses to state at the current office location. With no other office prospects at this time it is recommended that notice be given to the Port of the Districts intent to stay.

Discussion with the Port is also occurring regarding the responsibility issues the District and DNR are dealing with at the location. The District and DNR have been mitigating the issue and the Port has been asked to make repairs to the exterior of the building to correct the problem.

**Programs:**

Evan Bauder, Program Manager reported he has been working in the Skok Valley. He also reported that Brayden Raber, the restoration crew lead, has stepped into the role with great success and taken on extra responsibility of scheduling, timesheets etc.

An update on the Veteran’s Corp program was presented.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**DOE Flood Plains by Design Contract:** Staff presented a contract with DOE for Flood Plains Design. This contract will support work in the Skokomish Valley. The contract amount is $8,487,500.

(M-Boltz, S-Ougendal, Passed-Unanimously)
USGS Joint Funding Agreement – Stream Gauge: Staff presented a contract with USGS for a joint funding agreement for Stream Gauge installation and data collection. The contract amount is $55,900 and will inform the Vance Creek Assessment project.

(M-Boltz, S-Ougendal, Passed-Unanimously)

USGS Joint Funding Agreement – Groundwater Study: Staff presented a contract with USGS for a joint funding agreement for a groundwater study. The contract is $237,000 and will fund continuation of the Mason County Groundwater Study being conducted by the District.

(M-Boltz, S Ougendal, Passed-Unanimously)

WRIA 14 LE Grant: Staff presented the LE grant to continue the LE program in WRIA 14. There are no substantial changes to the current program.

(M-Ougendal, S-Boltz, Passed – Unanimously)

Tacoma Public Utilities Easement: Staff presented the Tacoma Public Utilities Easement for a parcel in the Skokomish Valley. This is an administrative action that should have been recorded at closing when the property was purchased.

(M-Boltz, S- Ougendal, Passed – Unanimously)

PSCD Letter PS Orca recovery: Staff presented a letter the District would like to send to the Governor in support of District programs regarding pollution control and Orca habitat restoration.

With no further business the regular meeting adjourned at 5:11 pm.