

MASON CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes  
February 16, 2023

The meeting of the Mason Conservation District Board of Supervisors was called to order by Jason Ragan, Chair, at 4:02 pm.

Board Members present: Jason Ragan, Michael O'Day, Andrea Miller, Carmen Echeverria

Board Members absent: Larry Boltz

Staff present: Evan Bauder, Nick Schneider, and Angie Hanners

Members of the public present: Josh Giuntoli (WSCC)(Zoom) and Alena Reynolds (DOE) (Zoom)

Introduce Guests: Angie Hanners introduced as new staff member

Public Comment: None

Special Meeting Minutes – January 19, 2023: The minutes were reviewed and approved as presented.

(M – O'Day, S – Miller, Passed – Unanimously)

**PROGRAM & STAFF UPDATES**

**WSCC Update** – Josh Giuntoli provided an update on the following:

- Previously discussed riparian bill is dead. A new riparian grant program bill had a hearing and is mostly supported. There is a proposed substitute bill that brings in SRFB as manager of grant program.
- CD elections bill continues to progress: WA State Institute of Public Policy to do study on elections. Study will be mostly focused on cost.
- CAP update is coming soon. No issues to report, but audit, election and annual plan boxes are not checked due to timing.
- Additional NRI funding is available.

**DOE Update** – Alena provided an Ecology staffing update announcing that she was moving to a new position outside the agency. Hannah Coe will be Alena's replacement.

**Staff Update** –

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Angie provided a more in-depth introduction, and board members each introduced themselves to Angie.

Nick provided an update on a recent National Estuary Program funding award to support water quality work within the District over the next three years.

**OLD BUSINESS**

**Vehicle Surplus –**

This item was moved to old business from new business since this agenda item was tabled from the January meeting. Staff proposed declaring the following two vehicles as surplus:

- 1) 2006 Dodge Dakota – 131,317 miles – VIN: 1D7HW48N56S526524
- 2) 2011 Ford F-150 – 65,112 miles – VIN: 1FTNF1CF2BKD28649

Motion made to declare both the 2006 Dodge Dakota and 2011 Ford F-150 surplus as presented.  
(M – O’Day, S – Miller, Passed – Unanimously)

**NEW BUSINESS**

**SCC Salmon Recovery Funding Addendum Update –**

Request to approve an updated addendum for the Conservation Commission’s (SCC) Salmon Recovery Funding program. A new district implemented project for exclusion fencing and riparian buffer planting awarded, and updates were made to the original addendum as requested by SCC staff.

Motion made to approve the updated Salmon Recovery Funding addendum as presented.  
(M – Miller, S – O’Day, Passed – Unanimously)

**VSP Cost Share Applications –**

The Mason County VSP Work Group assembled on August 4th, 2022, to vote and approve 6 technical descriptions for cost share projects through VSP Cost Share Funding. Many of the cost share projects brought additional matching funds from Shellfish Funding to deal with higher than expected construction costs. Several new BMPs were proposed and funded through VSP that were not previously associated with a Shellfish Program Technical Description. Each of the technical descriptions, including the associated budgets, were presented to the board individually.

Motion made to approve the six cost share applications as presented.  
(M – O’Day, S – Miller, Passed – Unanimously)

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**NACD Grant Resolution –**

Request to authorize submission of a National Association of Conservation Districts grant application to support Urban Agriculture. Details of the grant application ideas were discussed.  
Motion made to approve and authorize the chair to sign resolution 2023-2 authorizing the submission of the National Association of Conservation Districts grant application titled “Mason Conservation District Urban Agriculture” as presented.  
(M – Miller, S – O’Day, Passed – Unanimously)

**Engineering Grant Amendment –**

Engineering Addendum Amendment #2 was presented. This proposed amendment would award additional funding to reimburse the District for purchase of a vehicle to support the Engineering Cluster.  
Motion made to approve Amendment #2 to the Engineering Addendum Contract No. 23-12-PE as presented.  
(M – O’Day, S – Miller, Passed – Unanimously)

**Public Comment:** no public comment

With no further business for the good of the order the meeting adjourned at 5:21 pm.

