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Public Meeting Minutes September 25, 2019; 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

1 Public Meeting

A regular meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Whidbey Island Conservation District was held at the Whidbey Island Conservation District office, 1 NE 4th Street, Coupeville, WA.

2 Attendance and Quorum

The following Supervisors, being a quorum of the Board, were present:Ed Adams - ChairSarah Richards – Vice-ChairTim Keohane - MemberAnza Muenchow – AuditorTom Fournier – Member

Also in attendance or presenting:

Matt Zupich – WICD District Manager Sandy Welch – WICD Office/Fiscal Administrator

3 Call to Order and Welcome

Ed Adams, Board Chair, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

4 Minutes

Motion (1) Tim Keohane moved to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2019 special board meeting as written. Motion passed.

Motion (2) Tim Keohane moved to approve the minutes of the August 28, 2019 regular board meeting as written. Motion passed.

Motion (3) Tom Fournier moved to approve the minutes of the September 24, 2019 special board meeting as written. Motion passed.

5 Financial Report and Other Business

• Sandy Welch presented the monthly Financial Report.

Motion (4) Anza Muenchow moved to approve the Payroll, Expense, and Voucher #s 6591-6613 totaling \$37,734.34; Bank POS purchases totaling \$799.34; EFTPS monthly 941 payroll tax filing totaling \$5,797.52. Motion passed.

• Sandy discussed upcoming supervisor term expirations – 1 elected and 1 appointed – and briefly described election/appointment procedures that the district will be following as required.

6 WACD Report

• Sarah Richards reported that there are several resolutions to be presented at the NW WACD Area Meeting on October 8th and encouraged the rest of the board to attend. She also reported that Tom Salzer was hired as WACD's new Executive Director.

7 Contracts, Agreements, Resolutions

 Matt Zupich reported WICD applied for and has been selected to receive \$25,000 from WSCC for Livestock Technical Assistance. He requested board approval of this Livestock TA addendum to WICD's existing Implementation Grant.

Motion (5) Tim Keohane moved to approve the Livestock TA grant addendum. Motion passed.

• Matt Zupich requested board approval of an Interlocal Agreement with Snohomish CD and Island County to implement the recently adopted system of rates & charges.

Motion (6) Tom Fournier moved to approve the WICD-SCD-Island County Rates & Charges Interlocal Agreement. Motion passed.

8 District Manager Report

• Matt Zupich reported that Island County has requested WICD participation on a Technical Review Committee for their upcoming Shoreline Master Program Update. The board expressed support for district staff to participate.

- Matt reported that the Board of Island County Commissioners unanimously approved a system of rates & charges for conservation districts in Island County for a 10-year period starting in 2020. Now, per statute, WICD must establish by resolution a process for landowners to appeal the application of rates & charges to individual parcel(s). Matt will explore existing resolutions at other CD's to model after.
- Matt updated the board on the activities of a small group he and Shannon are working with to explore the possibility of starting a food/farmer co-op on Whidbey. They are mostly doing this work voluntarily but some staff time will be utilized for activities that directly relate to WICD's Annual Work Plan.
- Matt informed the board of an upcoming WSU Extension-hosted biosolids workshop as there is much interest about the pros and cons of biosolid use in Island County. Matt discussed some of the concerns expressed by local landowners and farmers who have contacted WICD about specific properties being considered for biosolids application by Island County Public Works.

9 Upcoming Dates and Review of Motions

- October 8 NWAACD meeting, Snohomish CD
- October 14 Indigenous Peoples Day Holiday, office closed
- October 23 WICD Board meeting, 9 am Noon
- November 11 Veteran's Day Holiday, office closed
- November 20 WICD Board meeting, 9 am Noon
- November 28-29 Thanksgiving Holiday, office closed
- December 3-4 WACD Annual Conference, Tacoma
- December 18 WICD Board meeting, 9 am Noon
- December 25 Christmas Day Holiday, office closed

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