

KING CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

January 6, 1998

1 **Supervisors Present:** Stephen Lamphear, Chair; Chris Tiffany, Sec/Treas; Richard Van Dam,
2 Member; Pat Brewington, Member

3 **Supervisors Absent:** Susan Schmoll, Vice Chair

4 **Guests Present:** Jack Davis, Matt Livengood, Boone Barker, Daucey Brewington, Don Stuart,
5 Stu Trefry, Nancy Hansen, Eric Frimodt, Carey Rowe, Bob Sturbank, Jeff Pratt

6 **Staff Present:** Nathan Jacobsen, , Lyle Stoltman, Brandy Reed

7 **NRCS Present:** Joe Henry

8 The meeting was called to order at 5:18 p.m. Stephen Lamphear, Chair presided.

9 Agenda Confirmation: The Board agreed to change the agenda as follows:

- 10 • Add retention of general council under Item #4

11 *The Board convened to executive session at 5:28 p.m. to discuss potential and actual litigation.*

12 *The Board reconvened to regular session at 5:50 p.m.*

13 M/S/P a motion to retain Eric Frimodt and the law firm of Inslee, Best, Doezie & Ryder as legal
14 counsel for the purpose of representing the District in regard to the petition by the City of
15 Federal Way to the Washington State Conservation Commission to de-annex from the District
16 and in regard to the legal action filed by the City of Federal Way in King County Superior Court
17 regarding the District's Special Assessment and authorizing the Chair to enter into an agreement
18 for legal services.

19 *The Board convened to executive session at 5:52 p.m. to discuss the petition submitted and legal*
20 *action filed by the City of Federal Way. Eric Frimodt, Karey Rowe, Bob Sturbank, Jeff Pratt*
21 *present.*

22 *The Board reconvened to regular session at 7:00 p.m.*

23 Stephen Lamphear informed all guests that the City of Federal Way has submitted a petition to
24 de-annex from the District and has filed legal action with the King County Superior Court
25 regarding the District's Special Assessment. Lamphear invited Nancy Hanson and Stu Trefry to
26 add additional comments. Nancy Hansen declined comment due to pending litigation against
27 King County. Stu Trefry informed the Board that, at the Board's request, the City of Federal
28 Way petition to de-annex from the District has been placed on the agenda of the January 15,
29 1998 Washington Conservation Commission meeting. The Washington Conservation
30 Commission and Washington Association of Conservation Districts emphasized their
31 commitment in assisting the King Conservation District resolve this issue. Stephen Lamphear
32 emphasized the District's commitment to resolving the issue and proposed that the Board form a

33 committee of less than a quorum to participate in the resolution of this issue. The Board agreed
34 to the formation of such a committee and selected Lamphear and Tiffany as representatives on
35 the committee. The Board also selected Lamphear to represent the Board at the January 15, 1998
36 WCC meeting.

37 M/S/P a motion to approve the Minutes of December 9,1997.

38 A discussion of future Agenda items included adding a review of old business.

39 The session was opened to public comment. Boone Barker requested he be allowed to comment
40 on the Draft 1998 Budget when presented. Matt Livengood inquired about Alayne Blicke's
41 invoice and was told the issue would be reviewed under the Treasurer's Report.

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43 The Board reviewed the Draft 1998 budget.

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45 M/S/P a motion to approve the Draft 1998 Budget as the final 1998 Budget.

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47 The Board discussed the need to retain general counsel for legal assistance.

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49 M/S/P a motion to authorize the Chair to interview prospective attorneys for the purposes of
50 retaining general legal counsel for the District and to make a recommendation to the Board no
51 later than the regular meeting of January 20, 1998.

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53 Lyle Stoltman presented a Grant Project Pre-Application for a Conservation Commission Dairy
54 Implementation Grant. Richard VanDam was appointed to assist staff in preparing the final
55 grant proposal for the Board to review.

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57 The Board was briefed on current staff recruitment efforts. The Board instructed the Interim
58 Manager to offer the Financial Officer position to the Manager's recommended candidate.

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60 The Board was briefed on recruitment options to hire a District Executive. Pat Brewington and
61 Chris Tiffany were appointed to work with staff on advertising the position and developing a
62 selection process.

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64 The Board reviewed the Treasurer's Report.

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66 M/S/P a motion to approve District expenditures on check numbers 3852 - 3919 for the period
67 dating 12/7/97 to 1/6/98.

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69 Stephen Lamphear requested that Board Members review Alayne Blicke's Model Horse Farm
70 Project Proposal prior to the next Board meeting on January 20, 1998. Lamphear also instructed
71 staff to prepare comments on the proposal. Comments shall include a discussion of the pros and
72 cons of offering the program in-house versus through a contractor, and shall identify the proposal
73 elements that can be applied to other aspects of the District's Small Farms Education Program.

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75 There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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Authorized Signature, Title

Date

79 **Index of Motions**

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