

KING CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Supervisors

Meeting Minutes

June 2, 1998

1 **Supervisors Present:** Stephen Lamphear, Chair; Susan Schmoll, Member; Chris Tiffany,  
2 Sec/Treas; Pat Brewington, Member; Kim Marousek, Member

3 **Guests Present:** Nathan Jacobsen, Erik Nelson, Daucey Brewington

4 **Staff Present:** Lyle Stoltman, Steve Heacock, Angie Kimpo

5 **NRCS Present:** Joe Henry

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7 The meeting was called to order at 5:12 p.m. Stephen Lamphear, Chair presided.

8 Kim Marousek was certified elected by a vote of 78-23 on May 21, 1998. Since that time she  
9 has executed her oath and been sworn in. She will be informed during an executive session the  
10 status of several issues.

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

- 13 • Strike minutes of May 19 Board Meeting.  
14 • Add election of officers placed on agenda following public comment.

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16 **M/S/P a motion by Susan Schmoll to have an election of officers placed on agenda following**  
17 **public comment.**

18 The Board discussed a lack of policy regarding timing and frequency of elections.

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20 **M/S/P a motion by Susan Schmoll to nominate and elect Pat Brewington for Vice Chair.**

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26 **Secretary/Treasurer of the KCD.**

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28 Request for future agenda items:

- 29 • Update of RIF status for Supervisor, Kim Marousek.
- 30 • Discuss printing of strategic plan.
- 31 • Discuss \$800,000 grant fund administered by the Conservation Commission (HB 2496) for
- 32 the purpose of restoring Puget Sound salmon populations.
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34 The meeting was opened to public comment. There were no speakers present.

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36 Board Committee Reports:

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38 1) Executive Search Committee- A job description was published and closed on May 27. The  
39 Board requested that Joe Henry be on this executive search committee to help review  
40 applications. Joe Henry agreed to this request.

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42 2) Finance Committee Reports- Secretary/Treasurer Chris Tiffany completed a proposal  
43 comprised of five ideas to deal with the financial shortfall of the district.

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45 A) The Conservation Commission and HB 2496 will provide grants for salmon habitat  
46 restoration. This is a good opportunity for the KCD to inform the public of the services that we  
47 provide and offer contract services to assist in those grants. The District could send out the RFP  
48 proposal to non-profits and inform them of this money. Staff was directed to write and distribute  
49 this letter.

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51 B) Through the same house bill 2496, the Washington State Fish and Wildlife will provide  
52 additional funding (period 7/98- 6/99) to help in managing habitat for salmon. .

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54 C) Charge people violating environmental laws using District services with a minimal fee of  
55 \$250.00. Staff will check with the Conservation Commission field representative to see whether  
56 this is legal or not.

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58 D) RFP Process

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60 M/S/P a motion by Secretary/Treasurer Chris Tiffany to formally direct staff to develop a draft  
61 policy for the RFP process by the second Board meeting in July..

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63 E) Request money from the county to support the additional needs of the District in its ability to  
64 complete farm plans. Secretary/Treasurer Chris Tiffany will approach King County and ask for  
65 money to do additional farm planning and provide services to rural landowners regarding ESA  
66 issues.

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68 Guest Speaker: Art Skolnik, a candidate for State Representative, 5<sup>th</sup> District, was present to  
69 show his support for Conservation Districts.

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71 Treasurer's Report:

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73 **M/S/P a motion to ratify check numbers 4237-4260 totaling \$2008.90 for the period dating**  
74 **5/20/98 to 6/2/98 for the payment of obligations of the District.**

75 The Board review the status of the Board of Supervisors retreat.

76 Lenny Bore, a consultant, was hired to mediate a retreat with the Board of Supervisors which  
77 will occur on June 20 from 9-1, location yet to be determined. The Board agreed that the  
78 meeting needed to be called to the attention of the public, although public participation is not  
79 appropriate.

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81 The final agenda of the retreat was addressed.

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83 Supervisors were directed to speak with Sec/Treas Chris Tiffany and alert her of their needs.

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85 Appointment of new financial institution:

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87 Staff member, Sandy Krenkel, researched changing from US Bank to Seafirst. With this change,  
88 the interest in the KCD account would increase and transfers would be easier. Also, a change in

89 signatures for the account can be made without the presence of a Board Supervisor. The bank  
90 only requires that meeting minutes be sent to them.

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92 **M/S/P a Resolution (98-10) by the Board to appoint a new financial institution, Seafirst**  
93 **Bank**

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95 **M/S/P a Resolution (98-11) by the Board to have authorized signers for US Bank in the**  
96 **interim period.**

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98 Managers Report:

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100 Steve Heacock, Interim Supervisor, discussed several possibilities for funding operation of the  
101 district.

- 102 • During a scheduled meeting with Ken Pritchard, Heacock will discuss funding of a
- 103 Hedgerow project which would fit into the Fish and Ditch grant idea.
- 104 • The City of Shoreline has recently contacted the District to address a weed problem at a city
- 105 park, Ronald Bog.
- 106 • The City of Snoqualmie held a public hearing addressing becoming the King Conservation
- 107 District. The response was supportive.
- 108 • The City of North Bend may have a hearing in the future regarding becoming a member city.
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110 NRCS Report: Joe Henry presented a monthly report for the NRCS

- 111 • NRCS Training- District and NRCS employees attended a two day training session
- 112 discussing topics such as the new Dairy Bill, urban stream restoration, soils, and surveying.
- 113 • New Summer Intern- Bridget Coon joined the Renton Conservation Team as an assistant to
- 114 the engineers.
- 115 • New State Conservationist- Leonard Jordan will meet with the Puget Sound Team some time
- 116 in August
- 117 • Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP)- Technical and financial assistance provided
- 118 through the NRCS to improve fish and wildlife habitat (\$600,000).
- 119 • EPA Dairy Inspections- There has been one dairy operator fined recently by the EPA, Jim
- 120 Roetcisoender of Snoqualmie Valley.
- 121 • DOE Water Quality Violations- One dairy farmer in the Enumclaw area was directed to
- 122 address water quality violations on his farm.
- 123 • Environmental Quality Incentive Program (EQIP)- Financial assistance to farmers for cost
- 124 share in implementation of a conservation farm plan (<50,000).

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126 Old Business:

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128 Sec/Treas Chris Tiffany discussed her attendance at a Tri-County Forum including elected  
129 officials. She noted that there were people from many local and state agencies and that it is  
130 important to stress to these officials what the KCD does.

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132 Erik Nelson noted that the Agriculture Commission and the Livestock Oversight Committee were  
133 frustrated in panel discussions of the ESA listing of salmon because of the lack of agricultural  
134 representation in those discussions. In addition, he noted that this representation is especially  
135 important because of where mitigation for this listing will occur (in agricultural rather than urban  
136 areas).

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138 The Board discussed the status of the strategic plan in its relation to the District's current  
139 situation. Staff was directed to investigate alternatives in the production of this document.

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141 The Board discussed the RIF situation. It was noted that all employees were notified in writing  
142 of the situation. The Board also agreed that employees could volunteer for RIF if desired, but  
143 that superiors may not advertise this or pressure employees.

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145 There being no further business before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

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148 Authorized Signature, Title

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