

KING CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting

March 11, 2013

FINAL

1 **Supervisors Present:** Bill Knutsen-Chair, Jeanette McKague by phone –Vice Chair, Max Prinsen-
2 Auditor, Eric Nelson, Kit Ledbetter

3 **Associate Supervisors Present:** None

4 **Staff Present:** Sara Hemphill, Ava Souza - Clerk, Brandy Reed, Josh Monaghan, Sarah Huillet,
5 Jessica Saavedra, Jacobus Saperstein, Rachel Konrady.

6 **Guests Present:** Mark Musick, Deirdre Grace, Stu Trefry, Rhonda Hilyer, Shawn Bunney, Eric
7 Frimodt, Karen Bergara, Rhonda Hilyer, Josh Kahan

8 Chair Knutsen called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

9 Introductions were made and the agenda was reviewed.

10 Hemphill requested that Agreements Dynamics be added to the agenda under presentations and
11 Bill Knutsen called for an Executive Session be added.

12 **Nelson Moved; Ledbetter Seconded Passed unanimously a motion to approve the amended**
13 **agenda (Saves, 0 nays)**

14 **Nelson Moved; Ledbetter Seconded Passed unanimously a motion to approve the consent**
15 **agenda which includes approval of check numbers 15267-15330 for a total of \$101,036.50**
16 **including EFT's and February 2013 payroll for \$116, 153.90 (Saves, 0 nays)**

17 PUBLIC COMMENT: None

18 PULLED CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

19 PRESENTATIONS:

20 **AI 13-014 WRIA 9 Grant Application Action and Presentation- King County Big Spring Creek**
21 **Construction Phase 1-Presenter Josh Kahan, Green/White River Basin Stewardship, King County**
22 **Department of Natural Resources and Parks**

23 Josh Kahan gave a presentation on the Big Spring Creek Restoration project, conversation then
24 ensued regarding the project the Board commented on the scale of the project and passion for the
25 project and that drainage was good so that any adjacent properties did not suffer from and flow
26 issues.

27 Ledbetter Moved; Nelson Seconded Passed unanimously a motion to approve AI 13-014
28 WRIA 9 Grant Acquisitions and Construction- King County Big Spring Creek
29 Construction Phase I (5 ayes, 0 nays)

30 Facilitators:

31 Hemphill gave a warm welcome to Rhonda Hilyer and Shawn Bunney from Agreements
32 Dynamics. Hemphill talked about the interview process and what a great job they did.

33 Hilyer talked about her excitement about the project and gave her Hollywood story about
34 transportation authority in Los Angeles. She then spoke about Shawn and their work history and
35 their dedication on collaborative projects.

36 Bunney then spoke about his resume and experiences on County Council as well as his political
37 and regulatory background.

38 The Board then asked the Facilitator team questions about timeframe. The team answered that
39 they will jump start the project with ground rules, schedules and priorities. The Board then asked
40 how would the team handle if parties wanted to move forward and how do we get the cities on
41 board. The team answered that there is a lot of baggage and it's their job to get everyone to leave
42 the baggage at the door and work on common interests and build momentum and create a
43 beginning to a change process of the value that everyone brings to the table and that's the work
44 of the Task Force.

45 Frimodt commented that he is encouraged by the comments and that things will change and
46 should change so that all parties can improve. Hemphill commented that we are fortunate to have
47 the resources to allow for a facilitator team, she then spoke about how great it is to work with
48 Joanna Richey.

49 **REGULARLY SCHEDULED ITEMS:**

50 Knutsen then moved the LIP up on the agenda.

51 AI 13-015 LIP Exception and Update

52 Konrady stated that she started with the District in November and has been working on policy
53 and program objectives, they would like to create a sub- committee. The question about public
54 money came up and the Board decided they would this and other LIP issues to the Program
55 Development, Science and Engineering subcommittee. Konrady then reported she has a
56 landowner who is asking for an exception to the policy in regards to LIP projects and permits.
57 Prinsen said he approves but he would like the owner to put a tarp on the manure bins in the
58 meantime.

59 **Nelson Moved; McKague Seconded Passed unanimously a motion to approve an exception**
60 **for Debby Moss (5 ayes, 0 nays)**

61 Executive Session Potential Litigation for 30 min 7:20- 7:54

62 Break 7:54pm- 8:04pm

63 Task Force

64 Conversation on the task force budget for KCD and King County was reviewed.

65 **Nelson Moved; McKague Seconded Passed unanimously a motion to approve a contract**
66 **with Rhonda Hilyer and Shawn Bunney of Agreement Dynamics (5 ayes, 0 nays)**

67 A budget of \$50, 000 for the facilitator was booked and it's been agreed that KCD will not
68 exceed this amount without coming to the board first.

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70 **with Rhonda Hilyer and Shawn Bunney of Agreement Dynamics to amount of \$50, 000 (5**
71 **aves, 0 nays)**

72 **Ledbetter Moved; Nelson Seconded Passed unanimously a motion to approve Bill as a**
73 **signer of the MOU with room with edits. (5 ayes, 0 nays)**

74 The Board then went through who would be on the Conservation panel.

75 Finance Report:

76 Huillet gave a report on the balance sheet and funds as well as the profit and loss report as well
77 as the check register and then a review of all the reports in the packet.

78 Implementation and Education:

79 Reed then congratulated Jacobus Saperstein on his 5 year anniversary. Saperstein then gave a
80 presentation on the plant sale he said he sold \$55, 000.

81 Reed then gave a report on Boise Creek with Lou and on Washington State parks. The
82 Snoqualmie tribe has contacted the KCD to work on a contract project for engineering which
83 will require Reed/ Beck to look for a possible intern. In addition they will be looking at the
84 budget for dollars for replacement of computer hardware and software as we move forward with
85 the budget process.

86 Reed then reported on CREP and commission grants for planning. Reed then talked about the
87 Feb 25th PSCD Caucus meeting there was a large amount of material covered, and as well as the
88 restoration the PSCD Caucus sign. Reed then reported that she would take the marine
89 shoreline budget as well as contributions from other CD's to get it posted. Reed also reported
90 that the PSCD came to the Caucus on shell fish and a meeting with Dave Ward to create a scope
91 of work which is scheduled for next week. Also the ILA finally got signed today.

92 Knutsen stated that Tony Write has resigned and he would like him to attend a Caucus meeting
93 to interact with Puget Sound Partnership.

94 Planning & Initiaves

95 Monaghan reported that KCD has received a grant of \$30,000 from the Russell Foundation
96 which will help pay for some part time help. Also on dairy we are working towards seeking
97 change in how we serve dairies to be more proactive and rebuild relationships. Monaghan also
98 reported that Karen Hills has delivered her first two farm plans and is well into two dairy plans.
99 There are 5 active planning efforts scheduled and two in the wings. On Cows and Clams there is
100 an Oxbow workshop scheduled for 2/25 and 4 evening classes coming up.

101 Knutsen spoke about Leg days and requested messaging with a page or two document for all
102 Board members.

103 Outreach

104 Musick commented on the plant sale and promotion of the sale as well recruitment of the
105 organizations that participated in the sales. He also spoke about Legislative Days and the
106 scheduling of the meetings on the 28th.

107 Building and Land Site Report

108 Ledbetter and Souza reported on the conversation with broker Nick Fletcher which was about
109 rents and space needs issue. Ledbetter then submitted an RFP for a space needs study and talked
110 about his 3 year commitment to the Board and that he would like to see this project move
111 forward.

112 **Ledbetter Moved; Prinsen Seconded Passed unanimously a motion to approve a space**
113 **needs study for the KCD office not exceed \$7,500.00(5 ayes, 0 nays)**

114 Board Chair Report

115 Knutsen reported that he made comments all along tonight and that he and John Bollinger are
116 pooling money in the amount of \$4,000.00 for Puget Sound Conservation District.

117 Executive Director Report

118 Hemphill reported on her plan to work with the Board on an individual basis to work on
119 partnerships and opportunities such as Green Seattle.

120 UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

121 Knutsen adjourned the meeting at 9:45 p.m.

122 Nelson Moved, Ledbetter Seconded Passed unanimously a motion that board adjourn (5
123 aves, 0 nays)

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126 William M. Knutsen 4-24-2013

127 Authorized Signature

Date

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