

KING CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes

Regular Meeting

March 10, 2014

FINAL

Supervisors Present: Bill Knutsen-Chair, Jeanette McKague –Vice Chair, Max Prinsen- Auditor, Kit Ledbetter, Dick Ryon-Interim Supervisor

Associate Supervisors Present: None

Staff Present: Sara Hemphill, Ava Souza - Clerk, Brandy Reed, Josh Monaghan, Jessica Saavedra, Deirdre Grace, Rachel Konrady, Karen Hills, Julie Grey

Guests Present: Aaron Clark, Ryan Larson

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

Introductions were made and the agenda was reviewed and two items were added to the agenda: Keeping Farmers Farming was added and LIP application for Susan Heir for a Waste Storage Facility was added. Also item 14-007 and 14-008 were moved to New Business

Prinsen Moved; Ledbetter Seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve the changes to the agenda (5ayes, 0 nays)

McKague Moved; Ledbetter Seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve the consent agenda (5ayes, 0 nays)

FINANCE:

Prinsen Moved; Ledbetter Seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve AI 14-012 a motion to approve check numbers 16065 to 16123, voided checks number 16092 & 16121 for a total of \$137,244.84. Non-payroll EFT's: \$7852.02 and January payroll \$129,837.92 (5ayes, 0 nays)

Souza then introduced Julie Grey the new KCD Bookkeeper and asked the Board if they have questions for Grey. Prinsen asked Grey if the voided checks were lost or does the KCD have them, Grey commented that the missing checks are here, Prinsen then requested that she include that information on the report going forward.

PULLED CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS: None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

PRESENTATIONS:

Aaron Clark- Rain Gardens and the 12,000 Rain Garden Campaign

Aaron Clark- gave a presentation on rain gardens and the 12,000 rain garden campaign. There were different plant palates and soil columns that were presented; he spoke about the science and the outreach as well as coming research. The communication what that 12,000 rain gardens cannot be built by one entity only. Conversation about the rain gardens by the Board ensued.

Ryan Larson - Duwamish Gardens Site

Larson reviewed the proposal to recommend the conversion and exchange of a small portion of City owned property for larger portions of the adjacent privately owned property of a current landowner. Larson then reviewed the project details, conversation about the project ensued and the Board unanimously gave favor to Larson for the proposal.

Prinsen Moved; Ledbetter Seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve and give favor to Larson for the project proposal (5ayes, 0 nays)

NEW BUSINESS:

LIP Policy Updates: Konrady/ Reed

Konrady and Reed reviewed the following policy updates with the Board and requested action.

AI 14-013 Future Applicant Ineligibility Limitations

Prinsen Moved; Ledbetter Seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve AI 14-013 (5ayes, 0 nays)

AI 14-014 Categories of Practice Allocations

Prinsen Moved; McKague Seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve AI 14-014 (5ayes, 0 nays)

AI 14-015 Rebuilding Practice

Ledbetter asked that this item be worked on a little more and then come back to the BOARD. Reed asked the question: do we keep paying for the landowner to implement the same practices? Reed then asked the Board for more direction and articulation of how to rework the request, Jeanette stated she would help. Prinsen stated it would help if Konrady would email AI 14-015 to each BOS member to review.

AI 14-016 New BMP Cover Crops

Ledbetter Moved; Prinsen Seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve AI 14-016 (5ayes, 0 nays)

Knutsen called for a break 7:35-7:47

AI 14-007 Clibborn-Anderson: Waste Storage Facility: Policy exception of two open practices

AI 14-008 Raskin: Subsurface Drain: Policy exception of two open practices

Prinsen Moved; Ledbetter Seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve AI 14-007 & 14-008 (5ayes, 0 nays)

Konrady then reviewed LIP application for Susan Heiser for a waste storage facility. Reed then further elaborated on the double dipping issue.

Ledbetter Moved; McKague Seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve LIP application for Susan Heiser for a waste storage facility (5ayes 0 nays)

Hills and Reed reviewed the below and requested Board action.

AI 14-017 Funding for Keller Dairy Waste Storage Facility Project- Hills/ Reed

Hills reviewed the funding practices for dairies and addressed the issue of a transfer pit that is not up to NRCS practices labeled as a category 3 grant. Hill's is working on putting together a funding package for the landowner to implement the proper practices. Hill's is requesting a proposal to use the overage in the fund balance account to follow up. Prinsen stated he would like to see the financials to show where the oversight occurred. Reed asked that he hear out the proposal from Hills before deciding. Knutsen stated that his recommendation is that it get approved based on Prinsen receiving the financial information he requested.

Prinsen Moved; McKague Seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve AI 14-017 subject to financial review to ensure the funds are available on option 1 (5 ayes, 0 nays)

McKague Moved; Ledbetter Seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve AI 14-017 with and amendment that in option 2 if the money is not received it goes back (5ayes, 0 nays)

MJ Grant Amendment Request- King County for their 2013 Keeping Famers Farming

Saavedra requested the budget be revised- Prinsen interjected that the King County revised the grant due to the Task Force costs.

Prinsen Moved; Ledbetter Seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve MJ Grant Amendment Request- King County for their 2013 Keeping Famers Farming (5ayes, 0 nays)

86 UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

87 Outreach – Hemphill / Grace

88 Hemphill commented on the annual meeting and how great it was, and suggested that if you have
89 any suggestions that you let Ava know. Grace talked about our newsletter, Facebook and stated
90 outreach will be reactivating a twitter account. Also there will be conference in April about
91 Climate Change.

92 AC Committee – Update / Hemphill, Grace, Knutsen

93 Hemphill covered the details of the AC meeting and gave a report on a meeting with Seattle
94 Tithe. Knutsen commented that the AC meeting was great and it was great having John Taylor.
95 The meeting was good and he liked everything that he heard. Hemphill then reviewed the new
96 system of note taking for the AC meetings.

97 Office Space Update – Souza/ Ledbetter

98 Souza reviewed the current lease which will expire June of 2014, with the Board and went over
99 options on existing space as well as other locations costs. Ledbetter asked the Board what is the
100 long term plan for KCD in terms of partnering with a city to purchase land and build a building
101 that we will own. A space with areas to teach and showcase our practices would be ideal.
102 Ledbetter then asked the Board to be prepared at the next BOS in April to make a motion on the
103 long term plan. He then asked that a subcommittee for the project be created with the following
104 members, McKague, Ledbetter, Hemphill and Souza. The Board approved this request. Ledbetter
105 then reviewed the 3 properties that could be good long term options for purchase, North Bend,
106 Kent, and Auburn. He then asked that the Board schedule a day to visit the properties the Board
107 discussed and chose March 26th, 2014. Ledbetter stated that he and Souza would coordinate the
108 tour with the Board.

109 Prinsen talked about Shadow and if Shadow would fail the King County Heritage would take
110 over the land and KCD also has this option to transfer the 42 acres to the King Country Heritage.

111 Knutsen adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.

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113 William M. Bonita

4-17-2014

114 Authorized Signature

Date

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