

KING CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Supervisors
Meeting Minutes

10/12/2020

1 **Supervisors Present:** Burr Mosby –Chair; Kirstin Haugen – Vice Chair; Bill Knusten – Auditor;
2 Chris Porter - Supervisor

3 **Associate Supervisors Present:** None

4 **Guests Present:** Rebecca Lavigne – Interim Executive Director; Jean Fike – SCC; Cynthia Krass
5 – Snoqualmie Valley Watershed Improvement District; Brandon Crawford - WFSE; Eric Frimodt
6 – Inslee Best

7 **Staff Present:** Ava Souza, Josh Monaghan, Brandy Reed, Deirdre Grace, Lindsey Davidson, Mary
8 Embleton, Nikki Wolf, Liz Clark, Jessica Saavedra, Rosie McGoldrick, Alex Martinsons, Carrie
9 King, Ellen Arnstein, Megan Melick, Mark Dostal, Laura Redmond, Kedija Awole

10 **Preliminary Matters:**

11 Chairman Mosby called meeting to order at 4:04 pm. All attendees introduced themselves. Mosby
12 asked for additions or corrections to the current agenda.

13 **Knutsen moved; Haugen seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve the agenda (3**
14 **ayes, 0 nays).**

15 **Public Comment:**

16 Monaghan made a statement about Indigenous People Day. Brandon Crawford made a statement
17 regarding the status of union contract negotiations. Clark thanked Haugen for her attendance at the
18 recent All-Staff Meeting.

19 **Consent Agenda:**

20 Mosby read the consent agenda items aloud and all items were voted on.

21 a) Board Minutes – 5.7.20 Special BOS Meeting, 7.2.20 Special BOS Meeting, 7.13.20 BOS
22 Meeting, 8.10.20 BOS Meeting, 8.10.20 Grant Sub-Committee Meeting, 8.24.20 4th Monday
23 BOS Meeting, 8.24.20 Grant Sub-Committee Meeting, 8.28.20 Special BOS Meeting, 9.4.20
24 Special BOS Meeting, 9.14.20 BOS Meeting, 9.14.20 Grant Sub-Committee Meeting, 9.22.20
25 Special BOS Meeting, 9.28.20 4th Monday Meeting, 9.28.20 Grant Sub-Committee Meeting

26 b) LIP Applications – None

27 c) Member Jurisdiction Grant Applications –

28 1. 20-071: City of Kirkland - Yard Smart Rain Rewards

29 2. 20-072: City of Bellevue - Lake Hills Greenbelt Knotweed Restoration

30 3. 20-073: City of Issaquah - Lower Issaquah Creek Stream & Riparian Habitat Enhancement
31 Project

32 4. 20-074: City of Bellevue - Natural Resource Animated Short Videos

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34 **Haugen moved; Knutsen seconded passed unanimously a motion to approve the consent**
35 **agenda (4 ayes, 0 nays).**

36 **Pulled Consent Agenda Items: None**

37 **Finance:**

38 a) 2021 Budget

39 Souza stated that the Finance team has taken into consideration recent comments and information
40 received by Senior Leadership and staff regarding the budget for 2021. To maintain inclusivity,
41 she and her team will look into this new information and the Board will postpone their vote on the
42 budget until the next Board meeting. Souza added she is available to the Board to answer any
43 questions they may have.

44 **New Business:**

45 a) AI 20-075: Election Contract – Souza / Board

46 Porter, Haugen, and Souza summarized their meetings with King County Elections and
47 Democracy Live. The Board discussed costs from last year and the current proposals from both
48 partners. Haugen confirmed they are higher than last year because Tusk Philanthropies will not be
49 involved this year.

50 AI 20-075 was not voted on by the Board at this time.

51 b) Update from the Interim Executive Director

52 Lavigne summarized her top priorities and how she plans to begin the next steps of her interim
53 role. Haugen thanked Rebecca for her thoughtful approach.

54 c) Executive Session – Collective Bargaining RCW 42.30.140, Sub (4)i

55 Mosby indicated that the Board would be moving into an Executive Session for the purpose of
56 discussing collective bargaining matters. Mosby stated the session would last approximately 30
57 minutes, unless extended. The Board moved into an executive session at 5:06 pm using a separate
58 teleconference line.

59 The Board requested an additional 10 minutes be added to the Executive Session at 5:36 pm. The
60 Board requested an additional 10 minutes be added to the Executive Session at 5:46 pm. No
61 decisions, actions, or motions were made following the session. The regular board meeting was
62 reconvened by Mosby at 6:00 pm.

63 d) Executive Session – Potential Litigation RCW 42.30.110 Sub (1) i

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65 discussing potential litigation matters. Mosby stated the session would last approximately 30

66 minutes, unless extended. The Board moved into an executive session at 6:00 pm using a separate
67 teleconference line.

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69 e) Executive Session – Review the performance of a public employee RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)

70 Souza announced that the Board would be moving into another Executive Session for the purpose
71 of reviewing the performance of a public employee. Souza stated the session would last
72 approximately 20 minutes, unless extended. The Board moved into an executive session at 6:25
73 pm using a separate teleconference line.

74 The Board requested an additional 15 minutes be added to the Executive Session at 6:45 pm. The
75 Board requested an additional 5 minutes be added to the Executive Session at 7:01 pm. No
76 decisions, actions, or motions were made following the session. The regular board meeting was
77 reconvened by Mosby at 7:07 pm.

78 **Unfinished Business:**

79 a) ILA – Board

80 Lavigne reviewed what was discussed at the last meeting. Haugen asked if there was anything the
81 Board could do to support. Staff expressed their current needs.

82 Lavigne summarized that there needs to be realistic expectations set and clarity formed around
83 open positions and what should be prioritized in the organization. Lavigne recommended the
84 Board review workplans at a minimum of twice a year. After brief discussion, the Board agreed
85 and decided to review workplans approximately every four months.

86 b) AI 20-076: Regional Food System Program – 2020 Competitive Grants

87 Embleton stated the application process for 2020 competitive grants are ready to begin. She briefed
88 the Board on some of the guidelines and deadlines and noted that the application window is
89 expected to remaining open until January 2021. She summarized that once applications are
90 received, they are reviewed and ranked by staff and the Advisory Committee before being voted
91 on by the Board.

92 **Haugen moved; Knutsen seconded passed unanimously AI 20-076 a motion to approve 2020**
93 **Regional Food System Program Competitive Grant Request for Proposals (4 ayes, 0 nays).**

94 c) AI 20-077: Regional Food System Program – Farmland Access Initiative Proposal

95 Monaghan summarized the steps taken to advertise the Farmland Access Initiative grant and
96 detailed the only application received. He explained the application was submitted by a coalition
97 of groups and collaborations between organizations has been a recent trend.

98 **Knutsen moved; Haugen seconded passed unanimously AI 20-077 a motion approving the**
99 **Regional Food System Farmland Access Initiative Proposal (4 ayes, 0 nays)**

100 d) AI 20-078: Ag Drainage Program Grant Funding Addendum

101 Monaghan summarized what was discussed at the previous meeting. He stated that he has been
102 working with the grant manager at King County Kim Harper and staff have been working on a job
103 description for the ADAP coordinator position approved at the last meeting. He confirmed the
104 agricultural drainage grant addendum will bring another \$140,000 of revenue to the program.

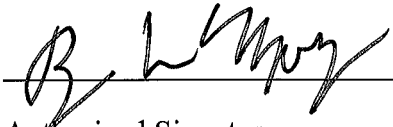
105 **Knutsen moved; Haugen seconded passed unanimously AI 20-078 a motion authorizing the**
106 **signing of an addendum to receive an additional \$141,799 from King County Flood Control**
107 **District to implement agricultural drainage projects. (4 ayes, 0 nays)**

108 Mosby made a statement to all staff that the Board is fully committed to reaching an agreement in
109 the collective bargaining process and that they have the Board's support.

110 There was no more business before the Board.

111 **Knutsen moved; Porter seconded passed unanimously a motion to adjourn the meeting at**
112 **7:20pm.**

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Authorized Signature

114 12-9-2020
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117 **Summary of Motions**

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119 **ayes, 0 nays).**

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