

**Snoqualmie Valley Watershed Improvement District (WID)**  
**Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes**  
**September 13, 2017**  
**6:00 – 8:00 p.m.**

**Opening:** Siri Erickson-Brown called the meeting to order at approximately 6:03 p.m. at Carnation City Hall.

**Commissioners present:** Siri Erickson-Brown, Patrick McGlothlin, David Andrews, Jason Roetcisoender

**Commissioners absent:** Gary Remlinger

1. **Approval of agenda:** Motion made to approve the agenda, seconded, and **approved 4:0**.
2. **Approval of August, 2017 meeting minutes: Approve minutes with correction to 3:0/4:0 David was absent.** Motion made to approve the July 2017 minutes, seconded, and **approved 4:0**.
3. **Consent agenda:** Motion made to approve the consent agenda, seconded and **approved 4:0**.
4. **Public comment:** Steve Van Ess. Refers to letter requesting pump at Pearson Eddy and asks whether the WID is still supporting the pump. Plans to attend Ag. Commission meeting and has specific question about why DNRP is not supporting the pump replacement.
5. **Irrigation committee update**
  - a. **Water bank design adoption:** Marketing window between October 15<sup>th</sup> and December 1<sup>st</sup>. Cynthia provides overview of the water bank guidance document. David Andrews has comments about buyer contracts. Section 2.3. Payment needs to be due before the October 15<sup>th</sup> marketing window. Move up reporting requirement of water use before October 15<sup>th</sup>. Change language to reserve the right to visit properties vs. require visit. Motion to approve guidelines with proposed amendments direct staff to execute the program consistent with guidelines. 3:0 Pat abstained because he have adequate time to read. Water bank grant ending December 2017. An estimated \$30-50,000 remaining in grant. Staff expects it is possible to extending time and revising scope to include something consistent with grant and funding source. Options: 1) Secure additional water rights (if available); 2) feasibility for small scale water storage. Concerns about locking up water with a short-term deal. Patterson, Ames and Cherry Creek are problem basins for leasing water because there are closed streams. Board expressed an interest in option 2.
6. **Drainage committee update**
  - a. **Drainage network analysis update:** Erin provided an update. Site visits and preliminary planning has begun in the top two priority basins, numbers 56 and 9. Board and staff expressed concerns about maintenance.
7. **Strategic planning:** Survey available on website. Grant timeline extended through December. Plan will be completed by the end of grant timeline.
8. **Administrative update:**

- a. **Elections:** Commissioner positions number three and four, currently held by Gary Remlinger and Patrick McGlothlin, expire in January 2018. Petitions for nomination are due to the board by the first Monday in November (RCW Chapter 87.03.075).
- b. **2018 Assessment:** Cynthia presented budget/assessment options for 2018. Public hearing is required. No change in parcel list. Recommend to meet timeline and have cushion of one month, suggestion is to approve assessment and have hearing in October. Cynthia recommends spending scenario 2 (no reserve). The Board is interested in scenario 3 with more reserve, which will keep the assessment the same as 2017.

**9. Staff Report:**

- a. Cynthia reports that we received a KCFCD grant for additional tile.
- b. Pearson Eddy update: Remaining issue is the pump. Recommendation is to write a response letter to NRCS. Questions about maintenance of MTR gate. Ask for notice on change of height of the MTR gate. Can't be higher than 26'. Operation plan with recommendation for pump if it goes above 23'.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

**Next Board of Commissioners Meeting:** Wednesday, October 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at Carnation City Hall.

**Minutes submitted by:** Cynthia Krass and Erin Ericson