

**Snoqualmie Valley Watershed Improvement District
Monthly Meeting of the Board of Commissioners**

MEETING MINUTES

February 19, 2020

6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Opening: Siri Erickson-Brown called the regular meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m. at Carnation City Hall in Council Chambers.

Commissioners present: Patrick McGlothlin, Siri Erickson-Brown, Daniel Royal

Commissioners absent: Jason Roetcisoender, Andrew Stout

Others present: Cynthia Krass (staff), Erin Ericson (staff)

1. February Agenda approved 3:0.
2. December Minutes approved 3:0.
3. Consent agenda approved 3:0.
4. Public comment: None
5. Irrigation update. Cynthia provided an update on water bank participation. Minimal increase in demand for 2020. WSDA application to develop the Foster Pond mitigation scheme will be submitted Feb 20, 2020; if approved, funds would be available Oct 2020, so this is not a summer 2020 project.
6. Drainage update: Erin provided an overview of 2020 drainage project status. Design to fix the Cherry Creek avulsion is proceeding; individual landowner meetings in progress, full community meeting with design charette expected in spring 2020. Goal is to have an approved design in 2020, permit to conduct work in 2021. In Basin 1, pump design is in progress. King County has expressed willingness to fund, partially as a result of Fish-Farm-Flood commitment to pilot projects. Landowner meeting will be scheduled. Culvert replacements in Basin 1 are also proceeding. In Basin 9 (Tuck Creek), Erin is working with King County to ensure they prioritize fixing the fish passage barrier there as it will help the drainage in this basin, ranked #2 in severity. Erin and consultants are experimenting with some low-cost beaver management strategies, including sensors that provide notification when water surface gets too high. Basin 56 culverts are proceeding. The section of Langlois/Indian Creek channel that runs through Dolder Farm may be able to proceed with ADAP assistance if only vegetation removal is needed (no sediment dredging).

Discussion about February flood impacts included a list of known problems, including Cherry Creek, Griffin Creek, Ames Creek and unnamed stream flowing across W. Snoqualmie Valley

Road near 145th into the Marty Farm. Staff requested feedback from board about WID's response to these matters. It was agreed that at least a site visit and referral to the correct agency is warranted for each request. The need for better proactive management of these issues before they happen was discussed, but no decision was made. King County's call for flood damage reporting was discussed, and whether the SVWID would be eligible. Staff to follow up with King County. The alluvial fan pilot project was discussed, and Erin pointed out that the report to council is in progress, and now is a good time to influence said report. Erin to follow up.

7. Strategic planning

- a. Easement workshop discussion. Easement workshop proposed for April 2020. Suggestion to provide questions ahead of time to panelists. The workshop will take place during a regular board meeting.
- b. Streamflow Committee consumptive use estimate approval (board action requested). Per housing unit consumptive use was determined by consultant. 797.4 acre-feet per year as the total consumptive use estimate will be voted on by committee in March. Motion to accept staff's recommendation for consumptive use estimate as described, seconded, and approved 3:0.

8. Administrative

- a. 2019 Budget versus Actual reconciled was presented and reviewed. There were no comments.
 - b. Elect Secretary to replace David Andrews. Andrew Stout nominated as secretary. Motion to appoint Andrew Stout as Secretary made, seconded, and approved 3:0.
 - c. AP Signature authorization for KCT. Motion to approve signature authorization as proposed for officers as presented made, seconded, and approved 3:0.
9. Staff Report. Erin provided a quick summary on DCP. The WID will put out an RFP for a consultant to prepare a plan for Basins 54/56 as a pilot plan. Cynthia attended Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA) reminded board about best practices for complying with OPMA, as described in the staff report.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30.