Snohomish Conservation District 2 **Board Meeting Minutes** 3 Tuesday, May 15, 2018 4 5 Present: 6 7 Mark Craven, Board Chair Jeff Ellingsen, Board Member 8 Adam Farnham, Board Member (via phone) Steve Van Valkenburg, Board Member Libby Reed, Board Member ~ Elect 9 10 Fraser Sime, Associate Supervisor Jessie Balbiani, City of Marysville Staff 11 Ryan Bartelheimer, Citizen Jill Farrant, SCD Intern ~ WSU 12 Bobbi Lindemulder, SCD Staff Monte Marti, SCD Staff 13 14 The meeting was opened at 6:05 pm by Board Chair Mark Craven. There were no revisions to the agenda items for the meeting. 15 16 17 **Guest and Staff Introductions** 18 19 Introductions were made and guests provided self-introductions. 20 21 Public Meeting ~ District Rate Proposal and FY2019 Plan of Work 22 23 The public meeting for both the District Rate Proposal and the District FY2019 24 Plan of Work as conducted. A presentation and conversation followed; questions were asked and answered. An email from Mr. Jeff Estes was shared 25 26 with the Board of Supervisors via email prior to the meeting. 27 28 Steve Van Valkenburg moved to approve and submit the rate proposal to the 29 Snohomish County Council and Snohomish County Executive by June 1, 2018. 30 Jeff Ellingsen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. 31 32 Jeff Ellingsen moved to approve and submit the FY2019 Work Plan to the 33 Washington Conservation Commission. Steven Van Valkenburg seconded the 34 motion. The motion passed unanimously. 35 36 **Approve April 2018 Board Meeting Minutes** 37 Approve the May 7, 2018 Special Meeting Minutes 38 39 The April 17, 2018 Board Meeting minutes were reviewed. Jeff Ellingsen moved 40 to accept the April 17, 2018 Regular Board Meeting minutes. Steven Van 41 Valkenburg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. 42 43 The May 7, 2018 Special Meeting minutes were reviewed. Jeff Ellingsen moved

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Public Comment

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There were no public comments. **Partner Presentations and Discussion** There were no partner presentations. **FSA and NRCS Reports** There was no Farm Service Agency report and no Natural Resources Conservation Service report. **Staff Reports** Jill Farrant talked about her internship this coming summer. Bobbi Lindemulder will be her mentor. She will be working a lot with the Lawns-to-Lettuce program. Bobbi Lindemulder talked about the Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife Snogualmie Wildlife Area plan and comment period. Consistent with prior Board of Supervisor input, farm planner certification and technical proficiency continues to move forward. Bobbi explained both the federal and the state certification processes. Cindy Dittbrenner will be at the June Board of Supervisor meeting to talk about the Natural Resource Team activities, priorities, and goals. Jeff Ellingsen moved to approve and sign the letter on the value of agriculture on Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife land. Steven Van Valkenburg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Steve Van Valkenburg moved to support Michael Hipp's application to the NRCS Boot Camp Farm Planning Certification Training in Nebraska. Jeff Ellingsen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. **Committee Reports** Sustainable Lands Strategy (SLS): Executive Committee is still trying to fill the open Agriculture Caucus seat. The next Farm/Fish-to-Table Gathering will be on September 13, 2018. **Citizen Advisory Committee** Rvan Williams continues to develop a proposal. The Board of Supervisors looks forward to a rejuvenated Citizen Advisory Board and looping back with current members. Ag Board

The new Agriculture Advisory Board members were provided training at their May 2018 meeting.

Farm Bureau

The Farm Bureau discussed their annual budget and several potential policies that they could potentially advance to the State Farm Bureau. The two potential policies focus on farmland preservation and voluntary, incentive-based programs. Both could be consistent with two Washington State Conservation Commission initiatives.

WACD

WACD Executive Committee and Executive Director continue to address activities at the WACD Plant Material Center. WACD has distributed a survey to solicit input.

Policies

There were no new policies submitted for discussion by the Board of Supervisors.

Building and Office Space

The Board of Supervisors would like to re-engage with Sound Salmon Solutions to see if a potential property acquisition could be found. The Board would like to pursue new and previous opportunities.

5-Year Plan

The 5-Year Plan process continues. The subcommittees focused on priority areas are meeting to further define and refine the agreed upon objectives and goals. The Board of Supervisors were encouraged to attend the next planning meeting on June 5, 2018 from 8:30 am – 3:30 pm @ the Lake Stevens Fire Conference Center (1825 South Lake Stevens Road, Lake Stevens, WA).

Washington Conservation Commission (WCC)

The all-district meeting in Ellensburg on April 25/26 was informative and provided a lot of input back to the WCC. The WCC will be meeting this week to receive feedback on their strategic plan, and will consider potential changes to their strategic plan. The WCC is in the process of hiring a new Puget Sound Regional Manager. The announcement is expected in the near future.

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152	The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 21, 2018 and will be in
153	Edmonds. The primary focus of the meeting will be the PSCD Caucus
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156	Snohomish County Rate and Camano Island Assessment Updates
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158	The Board of Supervisors would like to schedule a meeting with County Council
159	Chair Wright soon after the June 1, 2018 submission of the rate proposal.
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165	2018 Receipt Register, Check Register, and Treasurer's Report. Jeff Ellingsen
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172	Outstanding Invoices as of May 15, 2018
173	Employee vacation and sick leave as of May 10, 2018
174	 Chevron/Texaco report for the period of March 22, 2018 – April 21, 2018
175	 VISA report was not available due to the early date for the Board meeting
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177	Agreements and Contracts
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Manager's Report

The Board of Supervisors was requested to participate at the June 6 5-year plan meeting.

The Board of Supervisors declined the request to sponsor the Farmer Frog summer program with Kirkland kids due to the lack of connection to Snohomish County residents.

Board of Supervisors will be actively involved with the outreach and communication strategy for the rate proposal. Meetings for board members will be set up after the June 1, 2018 submission to the Snohomish County Council.

Ryan Williams is moving forward with efforts to secure additional credit cards for each of the program managers.

The employee on-boarding process has been completed for Adanette Ellsworth, Cindy Mahama, and Jill Farrant. The hiring of the new professional engineer continues to move forward.

Steve Van Valkenburg moved to approve the GS12 pay scale for the professional engineer position and to finalize an employee agreement with the top candidate. Jeff Ellingsen seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The annual Focus on Farming event will be Thursday, November 8. Bobbi Lindemulder continues to be actively involved with the planning of the event. The Agriculture Advisory Board should also be working with Snohomish County Planning and Development Services on a permitting workshop.

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243	the flow/exchange of information and committee structure will be discussed.
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245	Snohomish County Surface Water Management continues to pursue a rate
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248	There will be a lot of construction projects moving forward during the upcoming
249	construction season. If members of the Board of Supervisors are interested in
250	visiting any of the project sites, they can connect with either Cindy Dittbrenner or
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	Kate Riley. Potential tour opportunities will exist with elected officials that agree
252 253	to field tours during the summer and early fall.
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	regarding 2017 results and a 2019 rate proposal.
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