

**Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District
Regular Meeting
Minutes**

**Lewis County Commissioners Hearing Room
2nd floor of the Historic Courthouse
351 NW North St
Chehalis WA 98532**

Meeting Date: August 26, 2020

Meeting Time: 2:30 pm

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District Supervisor Fund at 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, August 26, 2020. Those in attendance were:

Edna J. Fund	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Supervisor
Robert Jackson	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Supervisor
Gary Stamper	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Supervisor
Erik Martin	Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District Administrator
Amber Smith	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Attorney (teleconference)
Lara McRea	Interim Clerk, Board of Supervisors
John Henricksen	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Advisory Committee Member
Bill Brumsickle	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Advisory Committee Member
Frank Corbin	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Advisory Committee Member
Josh Metcalf	Lewis County Public Works Director
Jim Waldo	Chehalis River Basin FCZD Consultant
Rona Spellacey	HDR Engineer
Lisa Danielski	HDR Engineer

II. Verification of a Quorum

There is a quorum of three district supervisors.

III. Introductions

No introductions.

IV. Approval of minutes for July 22, 2020

Supervisor Jackson made a motion to approve the minutes of July 22, 2020. Supervisor Stamper seconded the motion.

Motion approved.

V. Public Comment

No comments.

VI. Invoice approvals

(Grant 17-1373 Chehalis Basin Strategy Participation)

Vendor	Date	Service	Amount
Gordon, Thomas, Honeywell	July 2020	Governmental affairs svcs	16,937.50
LC Public Works	July 2020	Betsy Staff time	5,750.40
LC Administration	July 2020	Staff time	1,517.08
HDR Engineering	6.28-8.1.20	Engineering svcs	55,354.14
	TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:		79,559.12

(Grant 18-2599 Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan-Phase 2)

Vendor	Date	Service	Amount
Perteet Engineering	6.29-8.2.20	Engineering svcs-CFHMP	6,487.45
LC Public Works	July 2020	Betsy Staff time	504.24
	TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:		6,991.69

(Grant .09 Distressed Counties Funding)

Vendor	Date	Service	Amount
Desmond & Louis Inc	July 2020	Public Education & Communication Program	5,000.00
	TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:		5,000.00

Grand Total of all expenses: \$ 91,550.81

Motion made by Supervisor Jackson to approve the invoices totaling \$91,550.81. Supervisor Stamper seconded the motion.

Erik gave a briefing of the expenditures.

Motion approved.

VII. Project update

Erik reported that staff has been preparing a presentation for the Office of the Chehalis Basin Board (OCB) meeting next week. The presentation will focus on mitigation, avoidance and minimization efforts that the district is exploring. Earlier today district staff and Kleinschmidt met to review the presentation. One of the things discussed by the group was the large number of mitigation opportunities that are within the basin.

Shane Cherry and Kim Gould who on are on the Kleinschmidt team will give most of the presentation. Erik will have a portion of it as well. Erik and John noted there are over 350 separate locations where mitigation opportunities exist. Some locations will depend on the quality of mitigation, the ease of construction and the willingness of landowners.

Erik also said there are two mitigation banks in the Chehalis Basin the district is looking at. The first is a WSDOT bank that is set aside for road projects. But they do have some flexibility to do some mitigation outside of the road projects. There is also a private mitigation bank where the district could also buy credits.

Erik and Lisa described mitigation banks and wetland credits.

Erik said one of the points that will be made to OCB is that a lot of the work that has been done with mitigation, avoidance and minimization is work that has been done since the issuance of the draft EIS by the Department of Ecology (SEPA). The SEPA doesn't have a lot of this information that the district is starting to put out there. The district hopes that some of this work will be considered by the Army Corps of Engineers who produces the NEPA document. Some of the mitigation work will be formed by what the NEPA says the impacts are.

VIII. DAPA Application

Erik said the Department of Army Permit Application (DAPA) is a requirement for the draft NEPA to be issued.

Erik asked the supervisors for a motion to submit the permit.

Supervisor Jackson made a motion for the district administrator to submit the Department of Army Permit Application (DAPA) to the Army Corps of Engineers. Supervisor Stamper seconded the motion.

Motion passed.

IX. Communications Plan

Erik has been working with Lou and Nicole Desmond on a communications plan and have made some progress. They have coordinated with Senator John Braun and he has written an op-ed which will hopefully be published in the Chronicle soon.

The Desmond's are also working on a poll and the survey will go out to residents in the Chehalis Basin to start. The survey will focus on questions surrounding demographics and questions regarding the project itself.

The group was shown the proposed flood district logo the Desmond's created. The supervisors would like the Desmond's to submit a couple more samples before a decision is made.

X. Announcements

No comments.

XI. Adjournment

Supervisor Jackson made a motion to adjourn, Supervisor Stamper seconded the motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 3:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Lara McRea
Interim Clerk