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

Location:

Lewis County Commissioners Hearing Room, 2nd floor of the Historic

Courthouse, 351 NW North St., Chehalis WA 98532

Meeting Date:

Tuesday, December 7, 2021

Meeting Time:

3:30 pm

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District Supervisor Pollock at 3:01 p.m., Tuesday, December 7, 2021. Those in attendance were:

Sean Swope Lindsey Pollock F. Lee Grose

Erik Martin Lara McRea

John Henricksen

Jim Waldo

Edna Fund J. Vander Stoep

Eric Rosane Amber Smith Chehalis River Basin FCZD Supervisor

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Chehalis River Basin FCZD Administrator

Interim Clerk, Board of supervisors

Chehalis River Basin FCZD Advisory Committee member

Office of the Chehalis Basin Board member Office of the Chehalis Basin Board member Chehalis River Basin FCZD consultant

Reporter, the Chronicle

Civil Deputy, LC Prosecutor's Office

Verification of a Quorum

There is a quorum of three district supervisors.

Introductions

Introductions were made.

Approval of minutes for October 27 and November 30, 2021

Supervisor Pollock made a motion to approve the minutes from October 27 and November 30, 2021.

Supervisor Grose seconded the motion.

Motion approved.

Public Comment

No public comment.

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Invoice Approvals

(Grant 17-1373 Chehalis Basin Strategy Participation)

Vendor	Date	Service	Amount
GTH	Oct 2021	Governmental affairs svcs-Oct	13,255.00
LC Public Works	Oct 2021	Staff time/Betsy Dillin-Oct	4,069.01
LC Administration	Oct 2021	Staff time Martin/McRea-Oct	2,818.74
HDR Engineering	Oct 2021	Eng Svcs for AMM 9.26-10.23.21	18,667.63
HDR Engineering	Oct 2021	Eng Svcs 9.26-10.23.21	22,250.43
Kleinschmidt	Oct 2021	Eng Svcs 9.25-10.29.21	110.21
Kleinschmidt	Oct 2021	Hyporheic support 9.25-10.29.21	87,053.37
Jones & Jones	Oct 2021	Prof Svcs 10.2-10.29.21	8,235.00
Lara McRea	Nov 2021	Reimburse for website domain	330.47
		TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:	156,789.86

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

Vendor	Date	Service	Amount
Perteet Engineering	Oct 2021	Eng Svcs 10.4-10.31.21	4,017.50
LC Public Works	Oct 2021	Staff time Oct Dillin CFHMP	133.41
		TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:	4,150.91

(Grant .09 Distressed Counties Funding)

Vendor	Date	Service	Amount
Kleinschmidt	Oct 2021	Eng Svcs 9.25-10.29.21	494.40
HDR Communications	Oct 2021	Comm support 9.26-10.29.21	7,181.18
		TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:	7,675.58

Grand Total of all expenses: \$ 168,616.35

Erik gave a briefing of the expenditures.

Motion made by Supervisor Pollock to approve the invoices totaling \$168,616.35. Supervisor Grose seconded the motion.

Motion approved.

Resolution No. 21-006 Approving and Adopting the 2022 Annual Budget of the Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District

Supervisor Swope called the public hearing to order for Resolution No. 21-006 approving and adopting the 2022 Annual Budget of the Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District.

Erik gave the staff report and said the hearing pertains to the recommendation to adopt the 2022 Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District budget as indicated in proposed Resolution No 21-006.



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Notice of this public hearing was published in the Chronicle on November 25th and December 2nd 2021 and in the East County Journal on December 1st, 2021.

Erik noted that revenues will be budgeted at \$4,078,229 and expenditures will be budgeted at \$4,078,229 as indicated in attachment A.

There are two main revenue sources:
RCO funding for the Chehalis Basin Strategy-\$4,028,229
.09 Distressed Counties funding for communications outreach-\$50,000
Total funding sources-\$4,078,229

Erik reviewed attachment A.

Supervisor Swope opened the question-and-answer portion of the hearing.

There were no questions.

Supervisor Swope closed the question-and-answer portion of the hearing.

Erik asked that his previous comments be adopted into the record.

Supervisor Swope opened the hearing for public testimony.

Supervisor Swope asked if anyone wanted to speak for or against the resolution.

There were no comments.

Supervisor Swope closed the hearing and asked for a motion.

Supervisor Pollock made a motion to approve Resolution No. 21-006 adopting the budget for the Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District for calendar year 2022.

Supervisor Grose seconded.

Motion approved.

Edna fund briefly discussed the Skookumchuck Dam and said the next meeting will take place on January 19 from 11:00 am-12:30 pm.

RCO Contract

Erik reported that there is a significant amount of money coming from an RCO grant as shown in the budget. Erik discussed signing authority for the RCO contract when it is ready. The board agreed to have Erik sign the RCO grant contract when it is ready for signature.

Supervisor Grose made a motion to have Erik Martin, District Administrator sign the RCO contract when complete.

Supervisor Pollock seconded the motion.

Motion carried.

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Project Update

Erik said there is work from the districts consultant that will be due next week. He discussed the commitments the district made to the Army Corps and the Dept. of Ecology to include vegetation management, the Pe Ell water system and other items. Those pieces of work will be coming out next week. The work will be provided to the Army Corps and the Dept. of Ecology for their consideration in the final EISs.

Supervisor Grose asked what the biggest challenges of the project the district is trying to resolve.

J. discussed the states SEPA document that came out a year ago and said to the casual reader it looked like it was saying building a dam would have enormous detrimental impacts on the fish in the Chehalis Basin.

The Dept. of Ecology looked ahead 50-100 years and they factored in climate change in the SEPA document. Climate change models say the rivers get hotter and to expect lower flows over the next century. The Dept. of Ecology included this as a negative impact of the facility itself. He said 87% of the negative impacts were from climate change and not from the facility.

The district will be addressing those questions in the documents that will be sent out in the next week.

J. said he believes the documents will show a dramatically less significant impact from this facility.

He further discussed the modeling in the draft SEPA document and the vegetation management plan the district produced. He also said he believes this facility can be built with no net habitat loss.

Announcements

No announcements.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Lara McRea Interim Clerk