



# Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District

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Chehalis, WA 98532-1900*

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

**Location:** Lewis County Commissioners Hearing Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Historic Courthouse, 351 NW North St., Chehalis WA 98532  
**Meeting Date:** Wednesday, September 28, 2022  
**Meeting Time:** 2:30 pm

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### **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District Supervisor Lindsey Pollock at 2:31 p.m., Wednesday, September 28, 2022. Those in attendance were:

Lindsey Pollock  
Lee Grose  
Sean Swope  
Erik Martin  
Matt Dillin  
Lara McRea  
Jim Waldo  
Edna Fund  
J. Vander Stoep  
Frank Corbin  
John Henricksen

Chehalis River Basin FCZD Supervisor  
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Chehalis River Basin FCZD Administrator  
Chehalis River Basin FCZD Project Manager  
Interim Clerk, Board of supervisors  
Chehalis River Basin FCZD Consultant  
Office of the Chehalis Basin Board member  
Office of the Chehalis Basin Board member  
Chehalis River Basin FCZD Adv Committee Member  
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### **Verification of a Quorum**

There is a quorum of three district supervisors.

### **Introductions**

Introductions were made.

### **Approval of minutes for August 24, 2022**

Supervisor Grose made a motion to approve the minutes from August 24, 2022. Supervisor Pollock seconded the motion.

Motion approved.

### **Public Comment**

No comments



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Supervisor Swope joined the meeting via Zoom at 2:35 p.m.

## Invoice Approvals

(Grant 17-1373 Chehalis Basin Strategy Participation)

Vendor	Date	Service	Amount
GTH	Aug 2022	Governmental affairs svcs-Aug	15,495.00
LC Administration	Aug 2022	Staff time Martin/McRea-Aug	2,623.39
HDR Engineering	Aug 2022	Eng Svcs for AMM 7.31-8.27.22	73,020.58
HDR Engineering	Aug 2022	Enviro Svcs 7.31-8.27.22	13,486.20
Kleinschmidt	Aug 2022	Eng Svcs Proj 7.30-8.26.22 (Mitigation Plan)	55,506.24
Jones & Jones	Aug 2022	Prof Svcs 7.30-8.26.22	3,453.00
Stoel Rives LLP	Aug 2022	Prof Svcs through 8.31.22	1,176.00
Dillin Engineering	Aug 2022	Prof Eng Svcs Project Mgr 8.1-8.31.22	11,004.00
Joseph B Walker	Aug 2022	Professional Svcs 8.10-9.7.22	6,000.00
		<b>TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>181,764.41</b>

(Grant 22-1726 Hyporheic Zone Exchange)

Vendor	Date	Service	Amount
Kleinschmidt	Aug 2022	Prof Svcs 7.30-8.26.22	22,389.23
		<b>TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>22,389.23</b>

(Grant .09 Distressed Counties Funding)

Vendor	Date	Service	Amount
HDR Communications	Aug 2022	Comm support 7.31-8.27.22	4,620.75
		<b>TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:</b>	<b>4,620.75</b>

**Grand Total of all expenses: \$208,774.39**

Erik Martin and Matt Dillin gave a briefing of the expenditures. Matt discussed the minimization alignment work HDR has been doing.

Motion made by Supervisor Grose to approve the invoices totaling \$208,774.39. Supervisor Pollock seconded the motion.

Motion approved 3-0.

## Resolution No. 22-003 Renewing the appointment of Frank Corbin to the Advisory Committee

Erik said Resolution No. #22-003 renews the appointment of Frank Corbin to the Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District Advisory Committee. Frank has been serving on the board for the past 2 years and has expressed an interest in continued service. Frank was recently elected to be the vice chair of the committee. This appointment is for a two-year term and will expire on September 28, 2024.



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Supervisor Grose made a motion to approve Res. No 22-003 renewing the appointment of Frank Corbin to the advisory committee. Supervisor Swope seconded.

Motion approved 3-0.

## **Resolution No. 22-004 Public Hearing for 2022 Budget Amendment**

Supervisor Pollock introduced the hearing.

Erik Martin, District Administrator gave the staff report.

This hearing pertains to the recommendation to amend the 2022 Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District budget as indicated in **Resolution #22-004**. Notice of this public hearing was published in the Chronicle on **September 15 & September 22, 2022** and in the East County Journal on **September 21, 2022**.

**Resolution # 21-006 adopted the 2022 Budget on December 7, 2021.** Revenues and expenditures were adopted in the amount of \$4,078,229.

- **The Notice** as published reflected an increase in expenditures of \$2,891,601 and in increase of revenue of \$2,891,601 for the Chehalis Basin Strategy work.
- **Subsequent to the Notice being published in the paper**, the need to further increase expenditures and revenue became necessary due to an adjustment to RCO Grant amendment #11 in the amount of \$10,000 for cultural resource work.
- **With the new changes incorporated, this total budget amendment** reflects an increase in expenditures of \$2,901,601, an increase in revenue in the amount of \$2,901,601.
- **The total 2022 amended budget** will be \$6,979,830 for revenues and \$6,979,830 for expenditures.

Matt noted that a large portion of the amendment was for HDR's work on geotechnical investigations. Erik noted the funding is going to support the work through the biennium through June 2023.

Supervisor Pollock asked if there were any questions.

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

No questions were asked.

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

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

Supervisor Pollock opened the hearing for public testimony.

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

No comments.

Supervisor Pollock closed the hearing for public testimony.

Supervisor Grose made a motion to approve Res. No. 22-004 for the 2022 budget amendment. Supervisor Swope seconded.

Motion approved 3-0.



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## **Office of the Chehalis Basin update**

Erik noted the district has been actively working with the director of the Office of the Chehalis Basin Board, Andrea McNamara Doyle on the budget for the next biennium.

The district has been working on tasks for the next biennium. The district will discuss the tasks with the OCB on Friday, September 30.

Edna Fund reminded everyone that the Skookumchuck webinar would take place tonight at 6:00 pm.

She also said that Vicki Raines, Tyson Johnston and she were on the budget committee and would be meeting tomorrow. They had discussed \$70 million as a placeholder of which \$35 million would be for flooding issues and \$35 million for fish and aquatic species.

J.Vanderstoep discussed the draft EIS and some of the issues that were not foreseen issues. He said the issues and risks are being addressed in a comprehensive way by the district.

The entire EIS process will likely take three years instead of two. There have been many questions asked by the agencies and the funding ask by the district will be significant in order to answer those questions.

Erik said that the supervisors of the district have to decide at some point if the project should move forward. They want to make sure the water retention facility is not detrimental to the environment and that the facility will have the flood risk reduction that the district hopes it does.

Edna Fund left the meeting at 2:59 p.m.

J. said when EIS processes are complete; the supervisors will need to make a decision on the project.

Matt discussed the importance of doing the right level of analysis at each step of the process.

J. said the state did a programmatic EIS and looked at four different alternatives for flooding issues in the Chehalis Basin and the water retention facility is the only one that passed the stringent test of flood reduction.

Supervisor Swope discussed attending one of the land committee meetings and understood quickly that the water retention facility was really the only viable option.

Supervisor Grose noted this process is the farthest anyone has gone down this road and the district has paved the way. He noted that the district has taken a huge step to try and make this project happen and it is important to keep going. He also said there is a need to understand the vastness of the project.

Erik said the district is working towards a goal and continue to take one step at a time towards that goal. This money is working hard in the Chehalis Basin for the people that live here and for aquatic species. The district wants to get the most out of the funding given.

Supervisor Swope noted he is in full support of the water retention facility.

## **Project update**

Erik said the district submitted new biennium tasks to the Office of the Chehalis Basin (OCB) with no dollars attached for their consideration.



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The tasks center around many things but one in particular is the ESA consultation. National Marine Fisheries Service and the US Dept. of Fish and Wildlife Service are looking for a lot of details. They want to know about the fish passage and what the impact to fish will be. He said it will be expensive to provide them with all the information they need. This information will feed into the final design of the project.

Some of the work will provide enough design detail to provide a cost estimate for the project.

Erik discussed the upstream and downstream alignments. In November, the design team will be meeting at the county and the engineers will give the district an update on where they are at in that work. A year from now the district hopes to have a final SEPA EIS. NEPA will be a little further out.

Supervisor Swope left meeting at 3:21 p.m.

Matt gave an update on the hyporheic demonstration project. The Kleinschmidt team discovered the project is not viable because there is low dissolved oxygen in the stream channel where the cold ground water seeps were located.

A summary report will be done for the findings.

### **Announcements**

No announcements.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lara McRea  
Interim Clerk