

**Ferry Conservation District
Board Meeting
USDA Conference Room
May 27, 2015**

Supervisors Present

Dave Konz, Board Chair
Randall Hansen, Supervisor
Charlotte Coombes, Supervisor
Elaine Preston, Auditor

Others Present

Lloyd Odell, District Manager
Patrice Beckwith, USDA-NRCS
Candy Lammon, Staff
Mike Baden, WSCC

CALL TO ORDER:

Interim Chair, Dave Konz called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

➤ **AGENDA REVIEW :**

- **CONSENT AGENDA:** Meeting minutes from the April 22, 2015, Elaine Preston moved to approve the consent agenda Charlotte Coombes, seconded. Motion carried.
- **Treasure's Report and Accounts Payable: Warrants paid:** 1353-1359 totaling \$1102.94 and EFT's.
- **Executive Session: None.**
- **GUEST REPORTS:**
 - **Patrice Beckwith, USDA-NRCS,** DNR had a delay on their mailing of the Joint Fuel Reduction Plan; it has been mailed out now. They have a total so far of 27 applications in 3 counties, with 8 in Ferry County, in the process of having them approved and signed. Also made sign up folders for Fuel Reduction Plan for Landowners. On the Voluntary Conservation Plan, has 3 Landowners signed up.
 - **Mike Baden, WSCC.** No budget yet from the commission. Election of Charlotte Coombes is official. Great news. Reminded everyone of the WADE training coming up on June 15-17th. . Also Commission Capital or Operational Funds will now have to have a Cultural Resource addressed starting July 1st. Larry Brewer is the go to guy for information. Mike said start to fill out the forms early, make it fast and easy for everyone.

Goal:

The Washington State Conservation Commission (WSCC) is sensitive to the cultural resource concerns of the tribes in Washington State and in an effort to help preserve and protect those cultural resources, the Commission encourages each District to communicate with their local tribes regarding the conservation work that they do, in an attempt to develop a working relationship that supports their conservation activities while protecting important cultural resources.

- ***The WSCC for its part, will ensure that future activities of the Washington State Conservation Commission (WSCC) are compliant with the Governor's Executive Order (GEO) -0505 regarding the***

preservation and protection of our statewide Archeological and Cultural Resources in the disbursement of State funds to conservation districts for capital construction projects to conserve the state's natural resources

- **Policy:**

Before a Conservation District can be reimbursed for capital construction projects with WSCC managed funds (from whatever source Operational or Capital), a District must provide documentation to WSCC that:

- 1. A GEO-0505 review has been completed or***
- 2. The project/practice is exempted from the GEO-0505 review or***
- 3. A GEO-0505 review is not needed.***

- *Policy to take effect on 7/1/15.*
- Good Governance Review, Done for Ferry Conservation District. Just one yellow flag for us, it had to do with the dates and time published in the paper for the election.
- NACD Convention in Spokane in July 10th – 13th. There is a tour of Spokane on Monday the 13th.

- **Letter from Mike:**

Dave and Lloyd –

Was great to see you last week. I know there was a lot going on for many of you that day but I was glad to be able to be there. Just a brief follow up from the Board meeting:

- **Long Range Plan**

Great to see the approval of the LRP. I know Stu enjoyed working with you on the process and that a lot of great thought was put into it. It was good to hear that any comments received were positive. Hopefully it will be very useful to the District as you move forward

- **End of May Deadlines**

Long Range Plan, Annual Plan of Work, and Annual Financial Report have all been completed on time. Great work!

- **Tribal Outreach Training and State Forestry Contest**

I was able to attend both of these events as well and echo many of Lloyd's thoughts.

- **Ferry CD Field Visits**

I want to thank you especially for the opportunity to spend Thursday with Lloyd. It was very beneficial to me to be able to see the landscape of the District. I was able to see many of the Districts past projects as well as sites for future projects. I was also able to get a much better picture of the makeup of the District and the resource needs in the District. There is a lot of future potential for the Districts work and it was good to see how the on the ground landscape matches up to the newly completed long range plan. Again, thank you for that opportunity, it was appreciated.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Mike

- **District Manager Written Report; Lloyd Odell:** (Hand out). Talked about his Tribal Outreach and Partnership Training Workshop, learned a lot, and remembered things he might have forgotten. Was impressed with the High School kids at the Forestry Contest. Attended the Kinross Arbor Day, a worthwhile and fun event. Focused on getting the Final Long Range Plan approved, also the Annual Work Plan and Budget Forecast approved, and the Commission Grant Contract approved. Would also need to hire another full time staff person. Lloyd will be going to a workshop in Okanogan on June 23rd by the Okanogan Land Trust. It is a conservation planning workshop with agricultural partners. Lloyd will be finding out more on Water Rights, and Easements.
- **New Business/ Summary of Motions/Agreements.**

- Review of Schedule 22 questions, signed by everyone and will be scanned and submitted on May 28th to Washington State Auditor's Office.
 - Approval of Long-Range Plan Charlotte Coombes moved to approve, Elaine Preston seconded. Motion carried.
 - McKern, Cost-Share, In the amount of \$2482.64. Elaine Preston moved to approve, Charlotte Coombes seconded. Motion carried.
 - Powell, Cost-Share, In the amount of \$822.54. Charlotte Coombes moved to approve, Randall Hansen seconded. Motion carried.
 - Annual Work Plan, Charlotte Coombes moved to approve, Randall Hansen seconded. Motion carried.
 - Commission Grant Contract, Charlotte Coombes moved to approve, Elaine Preston seconded. Motion carried. Signed by Dave Konz (chair) and Eric Bracken (vice-chair).
 - Board Members agreed to have their Board packets sent electronically, Elaine Preston and Eric Bracken, By USPS, Dave Konz , Randall Hansen and Charlotte Coombes.
- **Other Topics:** Need to find out more information from L & I about having Board Member covered and the cost.
- **Public Comment:** None.

Chair Dave Konz adjourned the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

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Meeting Minutes respectfully submitted this 24th day of June, 2015

APPROVED

Candy Lammon, FCD Staff

Board Supervisor