Thurston Conservation District Board of Supervisors Work Session Minutes

March 26, 2024

Hybrid: In-Person and Virtual on Zoom Originally Scheduled: 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. Actual Meeting Time: 5:00 p.m. – 5:57 p.m.



Present at Work Session:

TJ Johnson, TCD Board Chair Doug Rushton, TCD Board Supervisor David Iyall, TCD Board Supervisor Sarah Moorehead, TCD Executive Director

Sophia Barashkoff, TCD Staff Karin Strelioff, TCD Staff Ben Cushman, TCD Legal Counsel

- 1 **1.** Topic List Review, *All*
- 2. Staff Presentation: Shore Friendly/Bulkhead Projects, *Karin Strelioff*
- 3 Rates and Charges, Sarah Moorehead
- 4. Conservation and Education Center (CEC) Development, All
- 5 New Legislative Wrap-Up, Sarah Moorehead
- 6 **6.** Partner Report Review, All
- 7 **7.** Important Updates & Announcements
 - a. Board of Supervisors, All
 - b. Executive Director, Sarah Moorehead

Respectfully,

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Docusigned by:

TJ Johnson, TCD Board Chair

Thurston Conservation District Board of Supervisors Regular Board Meeting Minutes

March 26, 2024

Hybrid: In-Person and Virtual on Zoom Originally Scheduled: 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Actual Meeting Time: 6:30 pm – 7:37 p.m.



Present at Meeting:

TJ Johnson, TCD Board Chair Doug Rushton, TCD Board Supervisor David Iyall, TCD Board Supervisor Sarah Moorehead, TCD Executive Director Sophia Barashkoff, TCD Staff
Ben Cushman, TCD Legal Counsel
Molly Paige, Department of Ecology (ECY)

Summary of Action Items

- **1** None.
- 2 Summary of Motions Passed
- 3 Supervisor Rushton moved to approve the Agenda. Supervisor Iyall seconded. Motion passed
- 4 *unanimously, (3-0).*
- 5 Supervisor Iyall moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Supervisor Rushton seconded. Motion
- 6 passed unanimously, (3-0).
- 7 Supervisor Iyall moved to approve Resolution #2024-02 National Association of Conservation
- 8 Districts (NACD) Urban Agriculture Application. Supervisor Rushton seconded. Motion passed,
- 9 **(2-0)** with Supervisor Rushton abstaining.
- 10 Supervisor Rushton moved to adjourn the March 26, 2024 TCD Board Meeting. Supervisor
- 11 Iyall seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (3-0).

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- 12 Welcome & Introductions
- 13 At 6:30 p.m., TCD Board Chair TJ Johnson called the March 26, 2024 Regular Board Meeting to
- order. TCD Board, Staff, and Legal Counsel were introduced by the Board Chair. For each vote,
- 15 TCD Board Chair Johnson called out Supervisors by name. He announced that the meeting was
- being video recorded. TCD Supervisor Iyall attended the meeting in person at the TCD office.
- 17 TCD Board Chair TJ Johnson, Supervisor Rushton and Executive Director Moorehead attended
- 18 the meeting virtually. Supervisors DeWreede was not in attendance and was excused, and
- 19 Supervisor Wheatley was not in attendance.
- 20 Agenda Review
- 21 Supervisor Rushton moved to approve the Agenda. Supervisor Iyall seconded. Motion passed
- 22 *unanimously, (3-0).*

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23 **Consent Agenda** 24 A. February 27, 2024, Board Work Session & Meeting Minutes 25 B. March 2024 Financial Report C. WSCC Salmon Recovery Funding (SRF) Funding Agreement 26 D. City of Olympia Urban Agriculture Funding Agreement 27 28 Supervisor Iyall moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Supervisor Rushton seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (3-0). 29 30 **Public Comment** 31 No public members commented. 32 **Partner Reports** 33 A. Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), Lynn Khuat 34 Ms. Khuat was not present. 35 TCD Executive Director Moorehead gave an update. 36 B. Washington State Conservation Commission (WSCC) Update, Jean Fike 37 • Ms. Fike was not present. 38 C. Department of Ecology, Molly Paige 39 • Ms. Paige gave an update. 40 • A written update was provided in the board packet. D. Washington Association of Conservation Districts (WACD) Update, TCD Supervisor Doug 41 42 Rushton 43 • A written update was provided in the Board Packet E. National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) Update, TCD Supervisor and NACD 44 45 **Board Member Rushton** • A written update was provided in the Board Packet 46 47 TCD Resolution #2024 – 02: National Association of Conservation Districts NACD A Resolution of the Thurston Conservation District approving a funding application for NACD 48 Urban and Community Conservation Grant (UAC) 2024-2025. 49 50 Supervisor Iyall moved to approve the TCD Resolution #2024 - 02. Supervisor Rushton 51 seconded. Motion passed (2-0) with Supervisor Rushton abstaining. 52 Governance 53 A. 2024 TCD Elections update 54 B. 2024 Annual Plan Development 55 C. April 23, 2024 Work Session Topic List & Meeting Agenda Development 56 **Work Session** 57 • Topic List Review, All

• Staff Presentation: Growers Conference Recap, Outreach & Education

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No action was taken.

| 59 | Community Partner Presentation, TBD | | |
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| 60 | Rates and Charges, Sarah Moorehead | | |
| 61 | Conservation & Education Center (CEC) Development, All | | |
| 62 | Important Updates & Announcements | | |
| 63 | Board of Supervisors, All | | |
| 64 | Executive Director, Sarah Moorehead | | |
| 65 | Board Meeting Agenda | | |
| 66 | Welcome, Introductions, Audio Recording Announcement | | |
| 67 | Agenda Review | | |
| 68 | Consent Agenda | | |
| 69 | March 26, 2024 Board Work Session & Meeting Minutes | | |
| 70 | April 2024 Financial Report | | |
| 71 | Public Comment | | |
| 72 | Partner Reports (if present) | | |
| 73 | Natural Resources Conservation Service | | |
| 74 | Washington State Department of Ecology | | |
| 75 | Washington State Conservation Commission | | |
| 76 | Washington Association of Conservation Districts | | |
| 77 | National Association of Conservation Districts | | |
| 78 | Contract Award, Action | | |
| 79 | Governance, All | | |
| 80 | o 2024 Election Update | | |
| 81 | 2024 Annual Plan Review and Adoption | | |
| 82 | May 28, 2024 Work Session Topic List & Meeting Agenda Development | | |
| 83 | Executive Session: To discuss potential legal action with counsel. | | |
| 84 | Executive Session: To discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or | | |
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| 86 | RCW 42.30.110 (1) To discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential | | |
| 87 | litigation. | | |
| 88 | The Executive Session opened at 6:50 pm to last no more than 15 minutes and concluded at | | |
| 89 | 7:05 pm. In attendance: TCD Board Members Johnson, Rushton and Iyall; TCD Legal Counsel | | |
| 90 | Ben Cushman; and Executive Director Moorehead. | | |
| 91 | Executive Session Report Out | | |

- 93 <u>Executive Session: To discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or</u>
- 94 potential for litigation
- 95 RCW 42.30.110 (1) To discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential
- 96 litigation.
- 97 The Executive Session opened at 7:05 pm to last no more than 15 minutes and concluded at
- 98 7:11 pm. In attendance: TCD Board Members Johnson, Rushton and Iyall; TCD Legal Counsel
- 99 Ben Cushman; and Executive Director Moorehead.
- 100 Executive Session Report Out
- 101 No action was taken.
- 102 Supervisor Rushton moved to adjourn the March 26, 2024 TCD Board Meeting. Supervisor
- 103 Iyall seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (3-0).
- 104 **Adjourn 7:13 pm**

Respectfully,

Docusigned by:

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TJ Johnson, TCD Board Chair

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