Thurston Conservation District Board of Supervisors Work Session Minutes

July 23, 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. – 6:03 p.m.



Present at Work Session:

TJ Johnson, TCD Board Chair
Betsie DeWreede, TCD Board Vice Chair
Doug Rushton, TCD Board Supervisor
David Iyall, TCD Board Supervisor
Marianne Tompkins, Board Supervisor
Sarah Moorehead, TCD Executive Director
Sophia Barashkoff, TCD Staff
Ben Cushman, TCD Legal Counsel

Sam Nadell, TCD Staff
Bruce McDonald, Lewis Conservation
District Board Member
Rachel Friedman, Chair Community
Farmland Trust
Pat Labine, Clerk Community Farmland
Trust

1 **1.** Topic List Review, *All*

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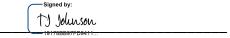
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- 2. Staff Presentation: South Sound Green 2023-24 Overview & Successes, Sam Nadell
- **3.** Community Partner Presentation: Community Farmland Trust, Rachel Friedman (Board Co-Chair)
- **4.** TCD Policy 4.6.1 Construction Change Order, All
 - 5. WSCC Conservation Tour Debrief, Sarah Moorehead and Doug Rushton
- 7 **6.** Conservation and Education Center (CEC) Development, All
 - 7. Riverbend Ranch Project Update, Sarah Moorehead
 - 8. Important Updates & Announcements
- a. Board of Supervisors, All
 - b. Executive Director, Sarah Moorehead

Respectfully,



TJ Johnson, TCD Board Chair

Thurston Conservation District Board of Supervisors Regular Board Meeting Minutes

July 23, 2024

Hybrid: In-Person and Virtual on Zoom Originally Scheduled: 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. Actual Meeting Time: 6:30 pm – 7:50 p.m.



Present at Meeting:

TJ Johnson, TCD Board Chair Betsie DeWreede, TCD Board Vice Chair Doug Rushton, TCD Board Supervisor David Iyall, TCD Board Supervisor Marianne Tompkins, Board Supervisor Sarah Moorehead, TCD Executive Director Ben Cushman, TCD Legal Counsel Sophia Barashkoff, TCD Staff Bruce McDonald, Lewis Conservation

District Board Supervisor

Summary of Action Items

- 1 Executive Director Moorehead will work with board members and legal counsel to complete
- 2 the TCD Policy 4.6.1 Construction Change Order.

3 Summary of Motions Passed

- 4 Supervisor DeWreede moved to approve the Agenda. Supervisor Iyall seconded. Motion
- 5 passed unanimously, (5-0).
- 6 Supervisor Iyall moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Supervisor DeWreede seconded.
- 7 Motion passed unanimously, (5-0).
- 8 Supervisor Iyall moved to provisionally approve the TCD Policy 4.6.1 Construction Change
- 9 Order applicable only to the Riverbend Ranch Project until there is a standing policy in place.
- 10 Supervisor DeWreede seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (5-0).
- 11 Supervisor Iyall moved to approve Bruce McDonald as the WACD Southwest Area Director.
- 12 Supervisor DeWreede seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (5-0).
- 13 Supervisor DeWreede moved to approve the proposed Mid-Year Unrestricted Budget.
- 14 Supervisor Tompkins seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (5-0).
- 15 Supervisor Rushton moved to approve TCD Board of Supervisor's support of the WSCC FY25-27
- 16 Budget. Supervisor Iyall seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (5-0).
- 17 Supervisor Iyall moved to adjourn the July 23, 2024 TCD Board Meeting. Supervisor DeWreede
- 18 seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (5-0).

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19 Welcome & Introductions

- 20 At 6:30 p.m., TCD Board Chair TJ Johnson called the July 23, 2024 Regular Board Meeting to
- 21 order. TCD Board, Staff, members of the public, and Legal Counsel were introduced by the
- Board Chair. For each vote, TCD Board Chair Johnson called out Supervisors by name. He
- announced that the meeting was being video recorded. TCD Supervisors Johnson, Iyall,
- 24 DeWreede and Tompkins and Executive Director Moorehead attended the meeting in person at
- 25 the TCD office. Supervisor Rushton attended the meeting remotely via Zoom.

26 Agenda Review

- 27 Supervisor DeWreede moved to approve the Agenda. Supervisor Iyall seconded. Motion
- 28 passed unanimously, (5-0).

29 **Consent Agenda**

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- A. June 25, 2024, Board Work Session & Meeting Minutes
- 31 B. July 2024 Financial Report
- 32 C. FY24 TCD WSCC Implementation Addendum
- 33 Supervisor Iyall moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Supervisor DeWreede seconded.
- 34 Motion passed unanimously, (5-0).

35 **Provisional TCD Policy 4.6.1 Construction Change Order**

- 36 Legal counsel recommended that the TCD Board of Supervisors provisionally approve TCD
- 37 Policy 4.6.1 Construction Change Order policy applicable only for the Riverbend Project. Later
- the board can amend the policy and approve it for all TCD projects.
- 39 Supervisor Iyall moved to provisionally approve the TCD Policy 4.6.1 Construction Change
- 40 Order as applicable only to the Riverbend Ranch Project until there is a standing policy in
- 41 place. Supervisor DeWreede seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (5-0).

42 **Public Comment**

43 No public members were present.

44 **Partner Reports**

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- A. Washington State Conservation Commission (WSCC) Update, Josh Giuntoli
 - Mr. Giuntoli was not present.
- Supervisor Rushton & Executive Director Moorehead gave an update.
- 48 B. Washington Association of Conservation Districts (WACD) Update, TCD Supervisor Doug 49 Rushton.
 - Supervisor Rushton gave an update.
- WACD legal services fund is continuing this year and IT support is being added.

52 Enduris is affiliating with Associated Industries to provide access to HR services 53 to members. 54 WSCC board approved the annual plan of work and budget for funding year 55 2024-25 at their June board meeting. 56 Planning for the 2024 annual conference is Progressing. The conference will be 57 held in Airway Heights, WA the week of December 2nd. 58 • A written update was provided to the board. 59 C. National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) Update, TCD Supervisor and NACD 60 Board Member Rushton 61 • A written update was provided to the board. 62 **WACD Southwest Area Director Candidate Application** 63 Bruce McDonald, Lewis Conservation District Board Supervisor introduced himself. Supervisor 64 McDonald applied to be the interim WACD SW Area Director. 65 Supervisor Iyall moved to approve Bruce McDonald as the WACD Southwest Area Director. Supervisor DeWreede seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (5-0). 66 67 Mid-Year Unrestricted Budget Update Review 68 Executive Director Moorehead described the Mid-Year Revised Unrestricted Budget updates. 69 Supervisor DeWreede moved to approve the proposed Mid-Year Revised Unrestricted Budget. Supervisor Tompkins seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (5-0). 70 71 WSCC FY25-27 Budget Letter of Support 72 Supervisor Rushton moved to approve TCD Board of Supervisor's support of the WSCC FY25-27 73 Budget. Supervisor Iyall seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (5-0). 74 Governance 75 A. August 27, 2024 Work Session Topic List & Meeting Agenda Development **Work Session** 76 77 • Topic List Review, All 78 • Staff Presentation: TCD Restoration Crew Showcase, *TJ Jenkins* 79 Community Partner Presentation: TBD 80 • Housing and Rural Lands, Marianne Tompkins 81 • TCD's Tilley Court Location Update, Sarah Moorehead 82 • Thurston County Fair Debrief, All 83 • Riverbend Ranch Project Update, Sarah Moorehead Conservation & Education Center (CEC) Development, All 84 85 Important Updates & Announcements 86 Board of Supervisors, All 87 Executive Director, Sarah Moorehead

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89	 Welcome, Introductions, Audio Recording Announcement
90	Agenda Review
91	Consent Agenda
92	 July 23, 2024 Board Work Session & Meeting Minutes
93	 August 2024 Financial Report
94	Public Comment
95	Partner Reports (if present)
96	 Washington State Conservation Commission
97	 Washington Association of Conservation Districts
98	 National Association of Conservation Districts
99	 TCD Policy 4.6.1 Construction Change Order, All
100	 WACD Resolutions, All
101	Governance, All
102	 September 27, 2024 Work Session Topic List & Meeting Agenda
103	Development
104	 Executive Session: to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real
105	estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration
106	would cause a likelihood of increased price.
107	Supervisor Iyall moved to adjourn the July 23, 2024 TCD Board Meeting. Supervisor DeWreeds
108	seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (5-0).
109	Adjourn 7:00 pm
	Respectfully,
	signed by: 1) Jolunson

TJ Johnson, TCD Board Chair

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