

Sumas Watershed Improvement District

Minutes for: December 8, 2020 Meeting, 1 pm

Videoconference – Zoom Meeting ID: 836 5286 5470 Passcode: 529989

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| <u> </u> | Terry Lenssen | <u> t </u> | Andy Enfield | <u> x </u> | Keith Boon |
| <u> o </u> | Alan Sytsma | <u> x </u> | Brad Rader | | |
| <u> t </u> | David Haggith | <u> x </u> | Henry Bierlink | <u> x </u> | Fred Likkel |
| <u> t </u> | Atul Deshmane | <u> t </u> | Kasey Cykler | <u> t </u> | Travis Stremler |
| | <i>x = present</i> | | <i>o = absent with notice</i> | | <i>t = teleconference</i> |

I. Consent Agenda

- a. Review and Approval of November 10 Minutes
- b. Financial Report

| <u>Voucher #</u> | <u>Payee</u> | <u>Purpose</u> | <u>Amount</u> |
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| S1220 | N3 | water quality monitoring - March | \$1,150.00 |
| S1220 | N3 | water quality monitoring - October | \$936.00 |
| S1220 | Rader Farms | Pangborn Ditch cleaning | \$3,300.00 |
| | | TOTAL VOUCHER | \$5,386.00 |

Keith moved approval of the Consent Agenda with payment of the two N3 invoices, Andy seconded, motion carried unanimously.

II. Drainage/Habitat/Flood

- a. Consideration of project funding:
 - a. Water Quality monitoring – approx. \$9k in 2020 – David was asked to scale down monitoring into the \$6-7k range in 2021.
 - b. Pangborn ditch cleaning and fish monitoring – invoices total \$9,245.80 – Keith moved to approve payment of \$3,300 to pay the Environmental Services invoice for this project, Andy seconded, motion passed unanimously.
 - c. Saar Creek settlement pond cleaning – paid \$2,500 in 2018 – Andy moved to pay \$5k to help cover the 2020 cleanout costs with consideration for future support in mid-2021 dependent on our financial status, Keith seconded, motion passed unanimously.
 - d. Beaver trapping – conversation with Travis Stremler concerning the numerous calls the board has been receiving regarding flooding caused by beaver dams. Both regular surveillance and strategic trapping are needed. Keith moved to approve a \$500/mo. budget in 2021 with Travis to monitoring, report, and trap, Andy seconded, motion passed unanimously. It is understood that this will not be adequate to cover all trapping costs with hope that both landowners and DIDs would be covering the additional costs.
 - e. CREP – we will continue to seek information and support for the beaver trapping program from the WCD and the CREP program.

III. Administrative

- a. Annexations – options were presented but not acted on.

IV. Ag Water Board/Water Supply

- a. Adjudication debate ongoing
- b. County Executive proposal
 - Hoping to have the Watershed Management Board approve the workplan December 17th
 - Lummi convening a Tribal/AWB meeting December 10th

V. Water Quality

- a. Monitoring Results – David reported early December numbers were very good.

VI. Education/Communications

- a. Website – www.sumaswid.com

VII. Adjournment/Next Meetings

January 12

Respectfully submitted by Henry Bierlink, Ag Water Board

Approved by _____