

GRAYS HARBOR CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MINUTES – February 19, 2016 10:00 a.m.

LOCATION: 330 PIONEER AVENUE WEST

MONTESANO, WA 98563

The Grays Harbor Conservation District (GHCD) meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chair Carl Waara. Grays Harbor Conservation District Supervisors in attendance were Steve Hallstrom; Vice-Chair, Gary Waltenburg; Auditor, Janet Strong and Brady Engvall. PCD/GHCD Staff members present included Mike Nordin; District Manager, David Houk; Service Forester, Jim Getchman; CREP Technician, and Janice Wetterauer; Administrative Assistant. SCC partner in attendance was Stu Trefry.

MOTION(S) The Grays Harbor Conservation District Board of Supervisors reviewed the January regular Board Meeting minutes. Steve Hallstrom made a motion to accept the January 15, 2016 meeting minutes and a second was made by Gary Waltenburg. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

The Grays Harbor Conservation District Board of Supervisors reviewed the February 19, 2016 financial report. A motion was made by Steve Hallstrom to accept the February 19, 2016 financial report and was seconded by Carl Waara. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

The Grays Harbor Conservation District Board of Supervisors reviewed the February 19, 2016 financial statement. Steve Hallstrom moved to pay checks #7116-7128, and 4 EFTs for a total of \$26,101.29. A second was made by Gary Waltenburg. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

The Grays Harbor Conservation District Board of Supervisors discussed the approval of payment to Matt Reichenberger for contract implementation. A motion was made by Carl Waara to pay Matt Reichenberger for contract implementation. The motion was seconded by Steve Hallstrom. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

NRCS REPORT

NRCS was not present.

Vehicle REPORT

David Houk reported the Chevrolet P/U is running well with no issues. Jim Getchman reported the Chevrolet Equinox is performing well with no issues.

Projects REPORT

David Houk reported on forestry work for the previous month. David reported working on Forest Management Plans (FMP): one in Grays Harbor Co., one in Pacific Co. and two plans in Lewis Co. David reported on completing a FMP in Pacific Co. David reported on providing forestry technical assistance to landowners in GH, Pac. and Lewis Counties. David reported on American Tree Farm System certifications. David reported on the office move. David reported on giving a computer mapping and GIS

presentation for WFFA South Sound Chapter. David reported on attending the American Tree Farm System (ATFS) National Leadership Conference. David reported on a PCT project in Pacific Co.

Jim Getchman reported on continuing work with Grayland cranberry growers. Jim reported on the Mox Chehalis CREP project. Jim reported on a site visit to discuss a new CREP project. Jim is currently working on two CREP reenrollments. Jim reported finishing a map project. Jim reported on continuing work with GIS map projects. Jim reported on working with WDFW on a potential CREP match funding project. Jim reported working with various agencies to gain exposure and further education.

Mike Nordin reported on the hiring progress for new employees. Mike reported that the CD will have an internship for the summer of 2016. Mike reported on GHCD/PCD projects. Mike reported on VSP. Mike reported on the Wishkah Rd. project.

Stu Trefry reported on Schedule 22. Stu reported working with NRCS and NACD on an urban agriculture program. Stu reported on a meeting discussing the possibility of an online elections program and long term sustainable funding for districts. Stu reported on the strategic plan review.

DISCUSSION

A discussion was held in regards to the election process. Elections were cancelled due to Steve Hallstrom being the sole incumbent, therefore the election process is complete.

A discussion was held regarding payment to Matt Reichenberger for contract implementation. The board decided to approve payment for contract implementation.

A discussion was held regarding the Schedule 22 process.

A discussion was held regarding the review of the Strategic Plan draft. Those in attendance reviewed the draft and discussed additions, changes and/or corrections.

MOTION(S) SUMMARY.

Motion #1: Steve Hallstrom made a motion to accept the January 15, 2016 meeting minutes and a second was made by Gary Waltenburg. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Motion #2: A motion was made by Steve Hallstrom to accept the February 19, 2016 financial report and Carl Waara seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Motion #3: Steve Hallstrom moved to pay check #7116-7128, and 4 EFTs for a total of \$26,101.29. Gary Waltenburg seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

Motion #4: A motion was made by Carl Waara to approve payment to Matt Reichenberger for contract implementation. Steve Hallstrom seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

NEXT MEETING 10:00 a.m. Friday, March 18, 2016 at 330 Pioneer Avenue West, Montesano, WA 98563

MEETING ADJOURNED 12:27 p.m.

Mike Nordin, Manager

Chair, Carl Waara