



CLEAN WATER COMMISSION

For the Department of Environmental Services

Regular Meeting Summary

Wednesday, March 5, 2014

6:30 PM – 8:30 PM

**Public Service Center, 6th Floor Training Room
1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver**

Members Present: Jim Carlson, David Meyer, Rob McKinney, Brian Peck, Susan Rasmussen, Dick Rylander, Gary Schaeffer, Virginia van Breemen, Melanie Wheeler

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Earl Rowell, Bobbi Trusty, Ron Wierenga

Partner Agency Staff Present: Kelly Uhacz, City of Battle Ground

Public Present: Art Stubbs, NACCC; Todd Horenstein and Jennifer Halleck, Vancouver Public Schools; Sue Steinbrenner, Evergreen School District; Jeff Arrowsmith, HDJ Design Group

I ROLL CALL

The January 8, 2014 meeting summary was approved as submitted

II PUBLIC COMMENT – feedback

Mr. Horenstein from the Vancouver Public Schools and Ms. Sue Steinbrenner of Evergreen Public Schools came to discuss the abrupt change in policy regarding the Clean Water Program service fee waiver for the schools. Concerns and functional issues were expressed regarding a three-year agreement that the schools were working toward, how the public school's budget cycle is different from the county, the benefits of a captive audience, and the partnerships that have been developed between the schools and the county. The schools felt they needed to bring that information to the commission to advise the Board of County Commissioners. Vancouver Public Schools is going to appeal the fee as they are not in the position to make the fee payment.

The commission discussed their concerns and that they did not have enough information to make an informed decision at this time.

Motion 2014-02

A motion was made and passed to discuss the issue at a work meeting scheduled to be held on March 26.

- *Subsequent to the March 5, Clean Water Commission meeting, the work meeting has been changed to April 2, 2014 and will be held in the Clark County Public Service Center, Sixth Floor Training Room at 6:30 p.m.*

III Clean Water Commission – Communications with the Public None.



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IV PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION

Mr. Wierenga reviewed the Phase 1 Municipal Stormwater Permit Overview from May 9, 2013 to assist the new commissioners in understanding what is being completed specific to the stormwater code and stormwater management plan.

Mr. Wierenga reviewed the current summary of changes to the Stormwater Code, Stormwater Manual and Stormwater Management Plan updates.

V GENERAL BUSINESS

Nominate and Elect 2014 Vice-Chair

Mr. Schaeffer was nominated and elected vice chair of the commission.

Mr. Carlson suggested changing the bylaws for the elections to occur at the March meeting instead of November, to correspond with appointment terms. The bylaws will be formally discussed at the May meeting.

Stormwater Code and Design Manual Stakeholder Advisory Committee, Meeting scheduled March 13, 2014

Mr. Schaeffer offered to attend on behalf of the Clean Water Commission

VI PUBLIC COMMENT – feedback

Mr. Stubbs thanked the staff and commissioners who have supported him over the last 15 years. He is available as a resource or to provide background to help the new commissioners get up to speed. Mr. Stubbs provided his point of view on homeowners association issues and the clean water fee issues.

VII May 7, 2014 Meeting Items

- Annual Report to approve. Work session scheduled for May 28, 2014 with Board of County Commissioners
- Identify a new liaison from the commission to work with the Arts Commission
- Review and update Bylaws
- Review SWAMP – Stormwater Association Multiuse Project

VIII ADJOURN – 08:37 PM

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