351 NW North St Chehalis, WA 98532-1900

Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District
Regular Meeting Minutes

**Location:** Lewis County Commissioners Hearing Room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Historic

Courthouse, 351 NW North St., Chehalis WA 98532

Meeting Date: Wednesday, May 26, 2021

Meeting Time: 2:30 pm

### I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chehalis River Basin Flood Control Zone District Supervisor Swope at 2:31 p.m., Wednesday, May 26, 2021. Those in attendance were:

Gary Stamper Chehalis River Basin FCZD Supervisor
Sean Swop Chehalis River Basin FCZD Supervisor
Erik Martin Chehalis River Basin FCZD Administrator
Betsy Dillin Chehalis River Basin FCZD Engineer
Lara McRea Interim Clerk, Board of Supervisors

Frank Corbin Chehalis River Basin FCZD Advisory Committee Member (Zoom)

John Henricksen Chehalis River Basin FCZD Advisory Committee Member

Edna Fund Office of the Chehalis Basin Board Member
J. Vander Stoep Office of the Chehalis Basin Board Member
Amber Smith Civil Deputy, LC Prosecutor's Office (Zoom)

Claudia Yaw Reporter, Chronicle (Zoom)

Cara Peterman Phipps USGS (Zoom)

Sarah Kohout Senator Cantwell's Office (Zoom)

Larry Brown WSLC (Zoom)
Bob Guenther TLMCCLC (Zoom)

#### II. Verification of a Quorum

There is a quorum of two district supervisors. Supervisor Pollock is absent.

### III. <u>Introductions</u>

Introductions were made.

### IV. Approval of minutes for March 24 and April 12, 2021

Supervisor Stamper made a motion to approve the minutes of March 24 and April 12, 2021. Supervisor Swope seconded the motion.

Motion approved.

## V. Public Comment

No public comment.

## VI. <u>Invoice approvals</u>

(Grant 17-1373 Chehalis Basin Strategy Participation)

Vendor	Date	Service	Amount
GTH	Mar 2021	Governmental affairs svcs-Mar	21,045.00
GTH	Apr 2021	Governmental affairs svcs-Apr	21,230.00
GTH-Bill Lynn	Mar 2021	Consult Services	1,106.00
LC Public Works	Mar 2021	Staff time/Betsy Dillin	5,214.74
LC Public Works	Apr 2021	Staff time/Betsy Dillin	5,641.80
LC Administration	Mar 2021	Staff time Martin/McRea	2,021.18
LC Administration	Apr 2021	Staff time Martin/McRea	1,263.05
HDR Engineering	Mar 2021	Eng Svcs for AMM 2.28-3.27.2021	17,701.88
HDR Engineering	Mar 2021	Eng Svcs 2.28-3.27.2021	33,575.68
HDR Engineering	Apr 2021	Eng Svcs for AMM 3.28-4.27.2021	8,902.91
HDR Engineering	Apr 2021	Eng Svcs 3.28-4.24.21	27,377.73
Kleinschmidt	Mar 2021	Eng Svcs 2.27-3.26.21	192.35
Kleinschmidt	Apr 2021	Eng Svcs 3.27-4.30.21	16,362.15
Stoel Rives LLP	Mar 2021	Review draft marbled murrelet plan	1,232.00
Stoel Rives LLP	Apr 2021	Review draft biological assessment	5,040.00
Business Resource Cntr	April 2021	2020 State Auditor Annual Report	350.00
Malone Environmental	April 2021	Task 2D draft white paper	8,400.00
		TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:	176,656.47

### (Grant 18-2599 Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan-Phase 2)

Vendor	Date	Service	Amount
Perteet Engineering	Mar 2021	Eng Svcs 3.1-4.4.2021	6,817.51
Perteet Engineering	Apr 2021	Eng Svcs 4.5-5.2.2021	3,492.50
		TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:	10,310.01

## (Grant .09 Distressed Counties Funding)

Vendor	Date	Service	Amount
Daily Journal	Mar 2021	RFP Ad for Social Media and	135.30
Commerce-Oregon		Communications	
Daily Journal of	Mar 2021	RFP Ad for Social Media and	197.80
Commerce-Seattle		Communications	
Chronicle	Mar 2021	RFP Ad for Social Media and	37.48
		Communications	
Kleinschmidt	Mar 2021	Eng Svcs 2.27-3.26.21	13,763.02
Kleinschmidt	Apr 2021	Eng Svcs 3.27-4.30.21	9,939.62
		TOTAL ALL EXPENSES:	24,073.22

Erik gave a briefing of the expenditures.

Motion made by Supervisor Stamper to approve the invoices totaling \$211,039.70. Supervisor Swope seconded the motion.

Motion approved.

### VII. Comprehensive Flood Hazard Management Plan (CFHMP) update – Betsy Dillin

Betsy Dillin reported on the CFHMP and said the district and consultant have been working on this project for 2 years and it is nearing completion. The consultant is working on the final draft right now. The consultant expects to have a draft to the district around the beginning of June. There will be a couple of weeks for internal comments, then it will be rolled out to the stakeholder group to see if they have comments. Public meetings will be held in July and a presentation will be made to the district supervisors as well as the county commissioners. Betsy noted the whole thing should be wrapped up by September or October.

### VIII. Office of the Chehalis Basin update

Erik said the OCB board has been contemplating a \$70 million budget allocated by the Washington State Legislature for the next biennium starting July 1. Discussions have been held about how to allocate that money between the Aquatic species plan the flood damage reduction projects that are included in the Chehalis Basin Strategy. Their decision will affect the flood control zone district's budget for that biennium. The district has been provided information to the OCB about what the district will spend the funds on.

Erik said the district previously submitted a \$14 to \$14.5 million dollar proposal to the OCB.

Edna noted the next OCB meeting will be held on June 3.

- J. Vander Stoep thanked Larry Brown for his support for the budget request that was made.
- J. also noted that the flood district is just one component of the whole Chehalis Basin process and half of the money will go toward habitat restoration. The other half will go toward flood projects.

Larry Brown said he appreciated the good work by Bob Guenther.

Bob Guenther said we need to take a look at the science benefits of having the water retention facility in place and what it does for the region.

### IX. Project update

Erik reported that the process is on track for a final EIS from both the Army Corps (NEPA) and the Dept. of Ecology (SEPA) sometime in early to mid-2022. The district is working closing with both organizations right now to set up some timelines on additional information that we want to provide them and things they have asked for to inform both of those final documents.

He also discussed the contract with HDR for communication and social media services.

Chad Taylor from the Silver Agency will also provide the district with some consultation.

## X. Announcements

Bob G. noted that we need to keep a close eye on China Creek, what has been done there and how it applies to the entire Chehalis River Basin. He said the work they are doing has been working.

# XI. Adjournment

Supervisor Stamper made a motion to adjourn, Supervisor Swope seconded the motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lara McRea Interim Clerk