

## JEFFERSON COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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## MINUTES OF THE JULY 23, 2018 PUBLIC HEARING

Call to Order: By Chair Al Latham at 6:15 p.m., Chimacum Grange, 9572 Rhody Drive, Chimacum, Washington

Supervisors Present: Al Latham and Lige Christian

Associate Supervisors Present: None

Staff Present: Al Cairns, Glenn Gately, and Tracy Kier

**Purpose of Public Hearing:** Chair Latham announced that the purpose of the Public Hearing was to solicit public comment on the consideration, development, adoption, and implementation of a system of rates and charges pursuant to RCW 89.08.400(2). No other subject would be discussed at the Hearing, and no action would be taken during the Hearing. He then informed those in attendance that there would be an opportunity for public comment after the presentation on the proposed system of rates and charges, delivered by District Manager Al Cairns. Chair Latham then welcomed those in attendance, and facilitated introductions.

Presentation on Proposed System of Rates and Charges for Sustainable Funding of Jefferson County Conservation District: Mr. Cairns began his presentation with a review of the District's Mission, service area, projects, and programs, referring to the District's Annual Work Plan and 5-Year Strategic Plan. He then explained the basic funding structure of the District, and described the rates and charges system provided for under RCW 89.08.405. During his explanation, he noted the difference between rates and charges, and assessments. Mr. Cairns followed with a review of the general approach used to develop a system of rates and charges, and the allocation process. He outlined the District's customer base, and highlighted one of the District's RCO FFFPP fish passage projects. He then presented the District's 2018 budget, and described the process for identifying any funding gaps and rate proposals. Mr. Cairns ended his presentation with a summary of the next steps to be considered by the JCCD Board of Supervisors, and potentially by the Board of County Commissioners. He invited those in attendance to take one of the handouts entitled Rate Study Report – Draft – dated July 12, 2018. He then answered questions from the audience. Questions and discussion focused, in part, on the public comment process, the difference between direct and indirect service benefit, prior and current funding mechanisms, how much funding a system of rates and charges might generate, and District sustainability.

**Public Comment:** Chair Latham called for public comment from those in attendance. There were no comments for the record from the public.

Review of Actions: No actions were taken during the Public Hearing.

**Time, Date, and Place of Next Meetings:** The Board will meet again for a Special Meeting on Monday, July 30, 2018, at 4:00 p.m. at the District Office located at 205 W Patison Street in Port Hadlock, Washington, for the purpose of considering, and potentially taking action on, the development, adoption, and implementation of a system of rates and

charges pursuant to RCW 89.08.400(2). The Board's next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 1, 2018, at 3:30 p.m. at the District Office.

Public Hearing Adjourned: There being no further information to share and no further public comment to record, the Public Hearing was closed at 6:45 p.m.

day of September

Acronym List

AFO/CAFO = Animal Feeding Operation/Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation	SAO – State Auditor's Office
Ag/GMA = Agriculture/Growth Management Act	CAO – Critical Areas Ordinance
BMPs = Best Management Practices	CREP = Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program
BOCC = Board of County Commissioners	CASP = Critical Areas Stewardship Plan
DOE = Department of Ecology	FSA COC = Farm Service Agency, County Office Committee
EQIP = Environmental Quality Incentive Program	FSA CED = Farm Service Agency, County Executive Director
HCDOP = Hood Canal Dissolved Oxygen Program	CY or FY= Calendar Year / Fiscal Year
HCSEG = Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group	CCWF - Centennial Clean Water Funds (DOE funds)
IGDO= Intra Gravel Dissolved Oxygen	NACD = National Association of Conservation Districts
JCPH= Jefferson County Public Health	JC/DCD = Jefferson County/Dept. of Community Development
JCPW= Jefferson County Public Works	JC EDC = Jeff. Co. Economic Development Council
MOA/MOU = Memorandum of Agreement, Memorandum of Understanding	JCCD = Jefferson County Conservation District
MRSC = Municipal Research and Services Center of Washington	JLT = Jefferson Land Trust
NFWF= National Fish & Wildlife Foundation	NMP = Nutrient Management Plan
NOPRC&D = North Olympic Peninsula Resource, Conservation and Development	LWG = Local Working Group
RCO/SRFB= Recreation & Conservation Office/Salmon Recovery Funding Board	NOSC = North Olympic Salmon Coalition
WCC Intern/WCC Crew = Washington Conservation Corps Intern or Crew	TA = Technical Assistance
WHIP = Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program	PUD#1 = Public Utility District #1
WRP = Wetland Reserve Program	WACD = Washington Association Conservation Districts
WSCC = Washington State Conservation Commission	NRCS = Natural Resources Conservation Service
WSU = Washington State University	WRIA 17 = Water Resources Inventory Area #17
SMP = Shoreline Management Plan	HCW = Horses for Clean Water (also: Hood Canal Watershed)
TSP = Technical Service Provider (contract with NRCS)	WADE = Washington Association of District Employees
JLC - Jefferson Landworks Collaborative	EPA = Environmental Protection Agency
WACD PMC – Wa. Assoc. of Cons. Districts Plant Material Center	USDA APHIS-ADC-United States Dept. of Agriculture Animal Plant Health Inspection Services – Animal Damage Control
PSP = Puget Sound Partnership	PSCD Caucus= Puget Sound Conservation District Caucus
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