

CLEAN WATER COMMISSION

Meeting Summary

Wednesday, Nov. 4, 2020 6:30 pm - 8:30 pm WebEx Video Conference Due to Covid-19 Pandemic

I. ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 6:41pm. Roll Call made.

Members Present: Brendan Addis, Michelle Girts, Matthew Jones, Marie LaManna,

Sue Marshall, Justin Maynard, Michelle Maynard and Josh Seeds.

Members Absent: Christy Dunbar

Staff Present: Eric Lambert, and Alice Millward

Public Present: none

Commissioner M Maynard moved to approve the Oct. 2, 2020, meeting summary as written. Commissioner Girts seconded the motion. <u>Motion carried unanimously.</u>

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

None. No requests for access, comments and/or questions were received by staff as of 5pm on November 4, 2020. Current notification process clarified. Staff will update the website and agenda with additional verbiage which will better explain process.

III. PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION / RECOMMENDATION / ACTION

Public Works - Clean Water Division

Clean Water Division Outreach - Eric Lambert, Clean Water Outreach Specialist.

- Due to the pandemic, there haven't been the normal opportunities for education and outreach (i.e., public events). However, they have still been very busy. Currently over 95% of the watershed signs have been installed. They may order additional signs to cover the areas of the county that were not in the grant area of service. The number of views deliverable for the Explore Watershed story map website has been achieved. The campaign "Clean water starts with me" is being promoted through the Student Watershed Monitoring program. Eric has been working with Rainy Rau from the city of Vancouver on teacher resource packets for the pandemic version of the student watershed monitoring project. They have received a lot of positive feedback from teachers at the kickoff event.
- The Stream Health Report was delayed due to Covid and is now expected to be released mid-2021. Outreach is working with the Monitoring group to create the final product. This report will be linked to the story map.



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- They received a one-year extension for the Storm Water Facilities Maintenance grant due scheduling during the pandemic for the filming of the videos. 360 Labs finished filming. CVTV is partnering to edit the footage so that it is meaningful for landscape professionals and HOA group training.
- The Stormwater Partners Symposium will be Nov. 12, and all of the commissioners have been invited to attend. There will be six or seven partner organizations presenting about their programs during Covid.
- The new permit requires Clark County to track the effectiveness of a behavioral change. We will be focusing on the Canines for Clean Water to target pet waste issues. They will be utilizing a community-based marketing model and are working with the cities of Camas, Battle Ground and Washougal. The vendor has been contracted for the focus groups. The plan will be implemented by the end of Feb.
- As part of our diversity engagement and reaching out to impacted communities, Eric
 is working on having training materials, videos, and/or training classes translated
 into Spanish, especially since many of the employees performing the maintenance
 work speak Spanish as their primary language. Other environmental justice
 components include LatinX targeting in the permit behavior change study
 information.

Alice Millward, Clean Water Commission Staff Liaison, gave update on several matters.

- Clean Water is still working hard in a socially distant manner and have modified work processes in place.
- Something to keep in mind is the need to start working on the Annual Report so that it will be ready for the meeting the first week of January.
- Staff are busy working on multiple grants, contracts and projects. Monitoring set up 8 sites for Lower Columbia Urban Streams monitoring for the new permit and have been conduction various types of training. Included temp loggers, WQ, and hydrology to name a few. (5 trend sites and 3 status sites). Due to visit restrictions by the state, our Local Source Control (Business Pollution Prevention) specialist hasn't been as active, but we have found a lot of other jobs for him to do. Still lots of code compliance issues. (The county is not closed and we weren't this summer so the public should definitely make sure that they have their permits submitted for logging and excavation work.)
- 2021CWC appointment process. Brendan and Josh have indicated that they would like
 to continue on the CWC in the future. This year's interim manager will be recommending
 that we only actively seek replacement of Christy's position whom we will miss greatly.
 We have four very strong candidates and will be scheduling interviews soon and should
 hopefully have a recommendation for the 6th floor by the end of the month.
- The 6 year capital plan was adopted by the Council yesterday.
- LCEP big canoe paddle opportunities this Fall / Winter on Lake Vancouver. They also have some really cool opportunities hands-on learning through some of the newly revised educational kits for the schools. They are also revamping some of their initial online curriculum and are looking at ways that some of it can be accessed by the public.
- Please take the Parks, Recreation and Open Space Plan short <u>second</u> survey to help us get community input on priorities. The Clark County Public Works Parks and Lands



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Division is updating the Parks and Recreation and Open Space (PROS) Plan and seeks community input to help direct future priorities for the Clark County parks system.

Working Group Updates: Research, Partnerships and Outreach

All three Working Groups reported on their progress and member assignments.

- Research Group (M. Maynard, Addis, Dunbar)
 - o Commissioner Michelle Maynard indicated that they haven't met recently
 - However, they have finished their report on local agencies who also are involved in surface water, use same funding sources or may overlap in mission. This can be used by the county and Partnerships group to further developing relationships.
- Outreach & Education Group (LaManna, Jones)
 - o Commissioner LaManna indicated that they are working on their 2021 Action Plan.
- Partnerships Group (Girts, Marshall, J. Maynard and Seeds)
 - Commissioner Girts reported the group did not meet. They will try to have a virtual meeting this fall and will ask Alice to assist with it.
 - Heritage Farms: Commissioner Marshall said that they are working on their strategic plan with the Parks Dept. Currently, there are no real updates on the project.

IV. COMMISSION DISCUSSION TIME

- <u>Shoreline Management Plan:</u> There are revisions and will be having a public hearing. The CWC is encouraged to provide their input. There will be a Council Hearing to adapt.
- Several commissioners noted that they have seen multiple Clean Water Outreach commercials on channel 12 and have noticed the new watershed signs. Great job staff!
- The Commission reviewed their work on the strategic plan, including their Mission, Vision, and Core Values. After some minor edits, Commissioner Addis moved and Commissioner M. Maynard seconded, to adopt the Clean Water Commission's Strategic Plan. Motion passed unanimously. Kudos to Chair LaManna for all of her leadership through this process.
 - Commissioner Addis would like everyone to start brainstorming on their long-term objects so that they can continue working on this.
- 2021 Elections:
 - Commissioner M Maynard nominated and Commissioner Marshall seconded Commissioner Brendan Addis as 2021 Chair. <u>Motion passed unanimously.</u>
 - Commissioner Marshall nominated and Commissioner Sees seconded
 Commissioner Marie LaManna as 2021 ViceChair. <u>Motion passed unanimously.</u>

VI. ADJOURN – 08:13 PM

Summary provided by: Alice Millward, Clark County Staff Liaison / 564.397.5267

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