



Meeting Summary

Wednesday, January 8, 2020

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

Public Service Center, 6th Floor Conference Room 698
1300 Franklin Street, Vancouver

Members Present: Brendan Addis, Christy Dunbar, Michelle Girts, Matthew Jones, Marie LaManna Sue Marshall, Justin Maynard, Michelle Maynard and Josh Seeds (6:42pm).

Members Absent: none

Staff Present: Jenna Kay, Greg Shafer and Alice Millward

Public Present: (See sign in sheet.)

I. ROLL CALL

Meeting called to order at 6:30pm. Roll Call made. *Commissioner Marshall moved to approve the Nov. 6, 2019, meeting summary as amended. Commissioner Girts seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.*

New Commissioner Matthew Jones and returning Commissioners Michelle Girts and Marie LaManna were officially welcomed. Introductions were made.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

None

III. PRESENTATION / DISCUSSION / RECOMMENDATION / ACTION

Shoreline Comprehensive Plan - Jenna Kay, Clark County Land Use Planner, presented background information on the Shoreline Management Act (SMA). The purpose of the SMA is to prevent the inherent harm of uncoordinated and piecemeal development along the state's shorelines. The policy goals are to foster reasonable and appropriate shoreline uses, protect natural resources and promote public access. Jenna covered the mandated periodic review of the Shoreline Management Plan (SMP). The 8-year review is due June 30, 2020, and ensures the SMP is current with regulation changes, is responsive to changing circumstances as well as new and improved data. Jenna discussed their timeline and reviewed a draft of the proposed changes to the Clark County Shoreline Management Plan. The public comment period will be from the end of January until February 27. Jenna answered questions regarding impacts, mitigation, mapping and the general Shoreline Management Plan. The CWC will be put on the notification list for the second SMP draft and will be put on the SEPA email list as well.

Public Works - Clean Water Division

Clean Water Division Outreach

Alice Millward gave the update for Eric Lambert, Clean Water Outreach Specialist.

- Eric has submitted a request to Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board (LCFRB) to amend the Don't Drip and Drive program's scope of work to add activities in 2020 as an effort to



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spend down the remaining grant funds. It is a three-year grant, but only had an initial two-year scope. Over the past two years, they have conducted 16 events and looked at 801 vehicles which showed 5% with leaks. New activities will include workshops targeting people with known leaks and additional leak check events.

- November 13 – Stormwater Partners Symposium
 - Commissioner Seeds attended and represented the CWC. The attendees heard presentations from various groups working in Clark County including, Columbia Springs, Watershed Alliance, Friends of Trees, Clark Conservation District, Student Watershed Monitoring Network, Clark Public Utilities, and Lower Columbia Fish Recovery Board.
 - They also had a presentation from Keri Handaly, City of Gresham, about Oregon's Clean Rivers Coalition (similar to Stormwater Partners, but statewide in scope). Learn more about their work at www.cleanriverscoalition.com.
 - This format of bringing the larger group of clean water stakeholders together for an annual symposium worked well and Eric anticipates this format will continue in the future.
- Stormwater Partners Projects
 - *Don't Drip and Drive* is continuing in 2020 to spend down remaining funds. The Watershed Alliance is hoping to pilot some workshops as another format to reach people with known leaks.
 - *Private Stormwater Facility Maintenance Resources* – CVTV produced the first video. Stormwater Partners will be providing comments on video format and printed materials at a workgroup on January 17. Cary Armstrong and Eric will be meeting with WALP (WA Association of Landscape Professionals) about providing facility maintenance training.
 - *Watershed Signs and Outreach* – The new signs should be delivered any time. The StoryMap is about 80% complete. Eric is targeting the last week in January to replace first sign at Kline Line (bridge over Salmon Creek) and will invite the media to reveal the winning sign. This will coincide with the start of the outreach campaign at www.clarkwatershed.org
- December 14 - Friends of Trees planting The Friends of Trees contract was extended until the end of 2019 to incorporate an additional planting on December 14th. Ninety volunteers planted 81 trees at this event.

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

- The CW manager position still hasn't been posted yet, but hopefully by this Spring.
- Zorah Oppenheimer with Conservation District will present either at the March meeting or at the special meeting.
- Dates for Spring Special Meeting: March 25, April 1 (spring break) or April 8. Commissioners should let Alice know what works best for them.
- We are looking at early to mid-May for the fieldtrip/tour. This works best with Eric's availability and the weather should be nicer. Please let Alice know if there are any bad dates for the commission. We are looking at the weeks of May 4, 11 or 18. Potential sites could be stormwater facilities at Grove Field (by East fire and rescue), possibly Jones Creek monitoring station, Steigerwald, Lacamas lake and/or Round lake. Please send additional options to Alice.



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- Alice gave a refresher on OPMA and public records requests. All Commissioners have completed the required training. Please cc Alice on ALL CWC related emails.
- Googledocs: The county is starting to shift over to Office 365 and so within the next year, this account may change and be more user-friendly.
- Staff is working hard on new NPDES Permit requirements (Stormwater Technical Manual-whole new section, Management Plan-Style Guide) annual report / monitoring – reports.
- We are working to get all the year-end items done for financials and entering new projects into workday. (New way of doing business so we've been meeting to make sure this is best, most efficient use of time.)
- The Public Works Leadership Meeting will be at the end of January and will focus on strategic planning / mission, vision and values as well as manager education and development.

Working Group Updates: Research, Partnerships and Outreach

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

- **Research Group** (Addis, Dunbar, M. Maynard)
 - Commissioner Michelle Maynard reported the research group hopes to report their findings in summer of 2020 and they plan to meet in January.
- **Outreach & Education Group** (LaManna, Jones)
 - Commissioner LaManna indicated that this was a slow time for this work group. The January NACCA meeting is a potluck meeting more focused on social interactions and not on policy issues. This group traditionally attends NACCA meetings and assists with outreach events.
- **Partnerships Group** (Michelle Girts, Marshall, J. Maynard and Seeds)
 - In February, the group will have more time than January to work on more projects. Commissioners Girts and Marshall went to the Council Work Session regarding the Heritage Farms Master Plan and gave an update. Enclosed in the packet is a draft of the proposed letter the subcommittee created. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Girts provided additional edits addressing the issues discussed earlier today. *Commissioner Girts moved and Commissioner Marshall seconded that the CWC send the support letter for the Heritage Farms Master Plan which with changes penciled by Commissioner Girts. Motion approved unanimously.* Alice will prepare for Chair Addis' review and signature.

IV. COMMISSION DISCUSSION TIME

- The 2019 Clean Water Commission Annual Report was reviewed extensively. Alice to complete changes and provide hard copy for Chair Addis' final review and signature. *Motion made by Commissioner Seeds that it be approved as amended verbally during meeting and seconded by Commissioner LaManna. Motion approved unanimously.* The presentation date will be in mid-February.



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- The Stormwater Management Plan is still being drafted and it will be sent to the CWC for review and comment when ready for distribution. This document is always available and open for public comment year round. The public may send comments regarding the SWMP to Rod Swanson at rod.swanson@clark.co.gov.
- The Commission would like to have the strategic planning process completed by September and vote to adopt it at the next meeting. The smaller Working Groups are encouraged to work on it prior to the large group work at the spring special meeting.
- Commissioner Seeds indicated that the fire service is using fluorinated foam fire suppressants (same as military and airports) for blazes like car fires and for fires with large amounts of oil and gasoline. The problem with this type of suppressant is that it doesn't break down and could bio-accumulate.

VI. ADJOURN – 08:35 PM

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

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