



**Snohomish County Council**  
**Conservation, Sustainability and Recreation Committee**  
**Meeting Minutes**

Jared Mead, Committee Chair  
Strom Peterson, Committee Vice-Chair  
Committee Members: Sam Low, Nate Nehring, Megan Dunn

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst  
Angela Ewert, Legislative Aide  
Cheri Danner, Assistant Clerk of the Council

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**Tuesday, January 10, 2023**

**11:00 AM**

**Jackson Board Room  
& Remote Meeting**

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**PRESENT:**

Committee Chair Mead  
Committee Vice-Chair Peterson (*not present*)  
Committee Member Low (*remote*)  
Committee Member Nehring  
Committee Member Dunn (*not present*)  
Nicole Gorle, Council Staff  
Anthony Gromko, WSU Snohomish County Extension  
Jonathan Robinson, WSU Snohomish County Extension  
Tom Teigen, Director, Conservation and Natural Resources  
Elena Lao, Deputy Clerk of the Council  
Cheri Danner, Assistant Clerk of the Council

**CALL TO ORDER**

Committee Chair Mead called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m. and provided instructions for those wishing to provide public comment for both in-person and remote via Zoom.

**ROLL CALL**

The clerk called the roll and stated that three members were present.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no persons present wishing to provide public comment.

## ACTION ITEMS

1. Ordinance 22-075, related to the 2022 Budget; making an emergency appropriation in the Evergreen State Fairgrounds Capital Improvements and Operating Reserve Fund 180 to authorize expenditure of prior year surplus revenues and admission tax revenues to support costs associated with the Fairgrounds [2022-1333](#)

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained that the Department of Budget and Finance reviewed the revenue and expenditures for last year and there is a surplus of \$19,160.00 to be put into the reserve fund for capital improvements for the fairgrounds.

**ACTION:** Move to Regular Agenda, General Legislative Session January 11th to set time and date for public hearing.

2. Motion 22-555, approving an Interlocal Agreement between the city of Monroe and Snohomish County for disbursement of funds for sidewalk extension adjacent to the Evergreen State Fair Park [2022-1311](#)

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and said the County has agreed to contribute a one-time lump sum of \$275,000.00 on or before February 28, 2023, as contribution toward a project extending the sidewalk adjacent to the Evergreen State Fair Park. She also said the Prosecuting Attorney has approved the agreement as to form and a copy of the e-mail has been added to the record.

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session January 18th for consideration.

3. Motion 22-556, approval of Amendment No. 4 to the Agreement for Services with Charles H. Montange for consultation and representation regarding Centennial Trail legal rights [2022-1332](#)

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report and explained the motion would approve Amendment No. 4 to the agreement by extending it one year to December 31, 2023, and adding another \$50,000.00 to the contract.

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session January 11th for consideration.

4. Motion 23-002, approving 2022 contract Amendment B with Washington Department of Commerce for the Bonneville Power Administration Low-Income Energy Efficiency Program [2022-1354](#)

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided an overview of the proposed agreement and the additional funding of \$209,309.00 for the program. She said there are no additional changes to the contract.

**ACTION:** Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session January 18th for consideration.

## DISCUSSION ITEM

1. WSU Snohomish County Extension overview and Beach Watchers program [2023-0039](#)  
Anthony Gromko and Jonathon Robinson

Anthony Gromko and Jonathan Robinson, WSU Snohomish County Extension, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Beach Watchers Program and highlighted information on training volunteers, activities, and various programs. Mr. Gromko and Mr. Robinson responded to questions throughout their presentation.

Mr. Robinson discussed the Starlight Beach Walk scheduled for January 18th from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at Olympic Beach Park and invited the Committee Members to join.

Committee Member Nehring voiced his appreciation for the presentation.

Tom Tiegen, Conservation and Natural Resources Director, commented about nonprofit organizations and expressed his appreciation for the network of volunteers.

At 11:32 a.m., Committee Chair Mead recessed the meeting until the 1:00 p.m. Law and Justice / Human Services Committee Meeting.