

Snohomish County Council Conservation, Sustainability and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes

Megan Dunn, Committee Chair
Jared Mead, Committee Vice-Chair
Committee Members: Stephanie Wright, Sam Low, Nate Nehring

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst Paula Rhyne, Legislative Aide Elena Lao, Assistant Clerk of the Council

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

9:00 AM

Jackson Board Room & Remote Meeting

PRESENT:

Committee Chair Dunn

Committee Vice-Chair Mead (remote)

Committee Member Wright (remote)

Committee Member Low

Committee Member Nehring (remote)

Nicole Gorle, Council Staff

Linda Lyshall, Snohomish Conservation District

Tara Luckie, Snohomish Conservation District

Kristin Marshall, Snohomish Conservation District

Elena Lao, Asst. Clerk of the Council

CALL TO ORDER

Committee Chair Dunn called the meeting to order at 9:00 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 all five members were present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no persons present wishing to provide public comment.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Motion 22-180, authorizing grant applications to the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office for planning projects at multiple County parks

2022-0395

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided a staff report explaining the terms of the two grant applications for Kayak Point waterfront improvements and Willis Tucker Park ball field lighting. She noted that if awarded, the County will be responsible for a 50% match for each grant.

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session on May 11, 2022, for consideration.

Agenda items #2 through #5 were considered together:

2. Motion 22-197, appointing one member to Position 8 on the Agricultural Advisory Board (Allyson Green)

2022-0460

Nicole Gorle, Senior Legislative Analyst, provided an overview of the Advisory Board and information on the Executive's nominees for reappointment and appointment:

- Allyson Green (Equine)
- Eric Fritch (Livestock)
- Jeremy Visser (Dairy)
- David Youngquist (Stillaguamish River Basin)

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session on May 18, 2022, for consideration.

3. Motion 22-198, reappointing one member to Position 3 on the Agricultural Advisory Board (Eric Fritch)

2022-0466

[See notes under Item #2, Motion 22-197.]

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session on May 18, 2022, for consideration.

4. Motion 22-199, reappointing one member to Position 1 on the Agriculture Advisory Board (Jeremy Visser)

2022-0467

[See notes under Item #2, Motion 22-197.]

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session on May 18, 2022, for consideration.

5. Motion 22-200, reappointing one member to Position 10 on the Agriculture Advisory Board (David Youngquist)

2022-0468

[See notes under Item #2, Motion 22-197.]

Ms. Gorle further indicated an error on page 2 of the motion, which states that Mr. Youngquist represents the Livestock industry, and should be corrected to read that Mr. Youngquist represents the Stillaguamish River Basin.

There was no objection from the Committee to direct the clerk to correct the error.

ACTION: Move to Consent Agenda, General Legislative Session on May 18, 2022, for consideration.

DISCUSSION ITEM

1. Snohomish Conservation District Annual Report - Lynda Lyshall

2022-0508

Linda Lyshall, Snohomish Conservation District (SCD) Executive Director, along with Tara Luckie, Education and Outreach Program Manager, and Kristin Marshall, Habitat and Floodplain Management Program Director, provided a detailed annual report and highlights of the District's work in the past year.

In response to questions relating to tree canopy management and growth, Ms. Lyshall indicated that the SCD works primarily in collaboration with state and federal agencies, conservation groups, tribes, as well as, the caucus of Puget Sound conservation districts.

Committee Chair Dunn commended the work of the SCD, including outreach for youth to be involved in conservation initiatives.

At 9:32 a.m., Committee Chair Dunn recessed the meeting until the 10:30 a.m. Finance and Economic Development Committee.