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Meeting Agenda - For December 28, 2020

from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm



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Date	Topic	Time	Description	Owner	Desired Outcome
12/28/20	AGENDA ITEMS				
12/28/20	PUBLIC HEARING		Audience members who wish to address the council during a public hearing are asked to sign up at the back of the room before the meeting begins. The district chair will ask those who have signed up to come to the front of the room. Each speaker should state his or her name for the record and will be given three minutes to address the board. Staff will keep track of time limits and inform speakers when they have thirty seconds left to conclude their comments. When a large group of individuals supports the same position on an issue, we encourage the selection of one or two representatives to speak on behalf of the entire group.		
12/28/20	[none]				
12/28/20	OPEN SESSION		During open session, audience members can speak to the board on any issue not scheduled for public hearing. Each speaker should state his or her name for the record and will be given three minutes to address the board. Staff will keep track of time limits and inform speakers when they have thirty seconds left to conclude their comments.		
12/28/20	[none requested]				
12/28/20	Consent Agenda				
12/28/20	Meeting Summaries		Request Approval of Meeting Summaries for Prior meeting date	Dawn Bekenyi	Request Board Action
12/28/20	Financials		Request Approval of Financial Report	Dawn Bekenyi	Request Board Action
12/28/20	Farm Plans		Farm Plans: NONE	George Boggs	Request Board Action
12/28/20	Corina Cheever Step Increase		Corina Cheever is eligible for her annual pay increase and this is supported by George and the 2021 budget estimates.	Corina Cheever	Consent Agenda
12/28/20	WSCC Hazard Mitigation Addendum		RECOMMENDATION Approve the grant addendum for the Hazard Mitigation grant for \$2805.	Aneka Sweeney	
12/28/20	MOU with NSEA		RECOMMENDATION Approve small contract (\$5,000) to develop watershed health element to NSEA's Students for Salmon Program for elementary school children.	Aneka Sweeney	Consent Agenda
12/28/20	Contract with WC Flood Control Zone Distict		For many years now, Frank has provide assistance to the WC Public Wrks, Flood division in planning/implementing mitigation plantings. Suggest you read what they have to say on first page of the contract. It is in Annual Plan of Work.	Frank Corey	Consent Agenda
12/28/20	RESOLUTION TO APPROVE WHATCOM COUNTY CONTRACT FOR SERVICES Education, Outreach and Technical Assistance with Whatcom County Stormwater Programs		RECOMMENDATION Staff recommends the Board continue the District's partnership with BBWARM and Whatcom County Stormwater by signing the Contract for Services with Whatcom County, for the on-going outreach, education and technical assistance with particular emphasis on the communities within the Birch Bay, Terrell Creek and Lake Whatcom watersheds. Funding will support existing education, habitat and farm planning staff.	Aneka Sweeney	Request Board Action
12/28/20	Resolution to approve Whatcom County Water Use Efficiency ILA		Move to approve the WHATCOM COUNTY & WHATCOM CONSERVATION DISTRICT DOMESTIC-MUNICIPAL WATER USE EFFICIENCY PROGRAM to support existing District staff in fulfilling the scope of work attached. Attached document is still a draft, but the scope of work and Budget are likely not to change.	Aneka Sweeney	
12/28/20	Authorize contract signature		Request George's signature on attached grant contract extension from EPA for work with USGS on maintaining real-time nitrate sensors currently deployed in the Nooksack River and Fishtrap Creek. The District uses little of the funds, rather they "pass through" from EPA to USGS for valuable local work.	Nichole Embertson	
12/28/20	Business Agenda				
12/28/20	Habitat team presentation		Short presentation highlighting projects from 2020.	Frank Corey	Provide information.
12/28/20	Support for Better Ground Website?		Snohomish CD is asking for financial support for the Better Ground Website. Team Leaders recommend reserving funding for WCD website. This allows us to be more responsive in developing content to meet the needs of our community, maintain quality control and use our in house capacity. Further, we are building our own name recognition and don't see the need for Better Ground to initiate or	Snohomish CD	Request Board Action

			our own name recognition and don't see the need for better funding to make or sustain customers. Since Alan has been attending the PSCD Caucus meetings, he may have offer valuable policy considerations to the contrary that the Board should hear when making the decision.		
12/28/20	Diversity, Equity & Inclusion		Attached is a draft statement regarding Tribal Treaty Rights.	Alan	Request Board Input
12/28/20	Governor's Budget		Do you want to respond to the Governor's Budget (see attached summary). Letters to Legislators? Support as is? Request restoration of CTA funds?	George	Request Board Action
12/28/20	ED & Supervisor Reports				
12/28/20	Auditor Report		You should have received. Dawn and I can answer any questions you may have. Otherwise, FYI>	George	Provide information.
12/28/20	DID#7 Drainage Issues		FYI, Received this request for help. The latest contract with WC Flood Control Zone should fund Frank to help, assuming County agrees. I expect it will. Pics attached	George	Provide information.
12/28/20	Water Adjudication/Local Initiative funding request		Governor Inslee included adjudication in his proposed 2021-22 budget. Attached is a recent letter from the County Executive, in support of adjudication and settlement funding. Also attached is Concept Paper for Local Discussions\ and itemized budget.	George	
12/28/20	Monthly Supervisor Activities Report		Report of activities between the November Board meeting and the December board meeting.	Larry Davis	Provide information.
12/28/20	General Activity Report				