

**WHATCOM CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Special Public Meeting Minutes
June 20, 2016**

I. Time and Place of Meeting.

A special public meeting of the Board of Supervisors of the Whatcom Conservation District (WCD) was held at the Ag Service Center, 6975 Hannegan Rd, Lynden, Washington on June 20, 2016, at 4:00 p.m.

II. Attendance and Quorum.

The following Supervisors, being a quorum of the Board, were present:

Larry Helm, Chair
Dan Heeringa, Treasurer

Larry Davis, Vice-Chair
Joe Heller

Also in attendance were:

George Boggs, Executive Director

Dawn Bekenyi, Admin. Assistant

III. Meeting Called to Order.

Larry Helm, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

IV. Long Range Plan.

A copy of the last Long Range Plan was provided to the Board as a starting point to review and make changes.

George began by asking each of the Supervisors to describe what he thought was an important criterion for developing the long range plan. He next led a group discussion exercise to determine what the Whatcom Conservation District wants to 1. Achieve, 2. Avoid, 3. Preserve, and 4. Eliminate. As a guideline for District activities, George then shared points from the enabling statute RCW 89.08, where it says a Conservation District's duty is to conserve natural resources in urban, suburban areas as well as on rural lands.

George captured the discussion in bullet points under each topic. (See attached). After reviewing the generalized goals, the Board made specific changes to the current Long Range Plan. George will incorporate these changes into a draft for the Board to bring to the July board meeting to send out for public comment before adoption.

V. Adjournment.

There being no further business before the meeting, Dan Heeringa moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:02 p.m. Joe Heller seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The meeting, on motion duly made, seconded and carried, adjourned at 6:02 p.m.

Dated: August 25, 2016

Approved: _____

Dawn Bekenyi, Administrative Assistant