

Thurston Conservation District Board of Supervisors

Work Session Minutes

February 25, 2025

Hybrid: In-Person and Virtual on Zoom

Originally Scheduled: 5:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Actual Meeting Time: 5:00 p.m. – 6:07 p.m.



Present at Work Session:

TJ Johnson, TCD Board Chair

Betsie DeWreede, TCD Board Vice Chair

Doug Rushton, TCD Board Supervisor

Marianne Tompkins, TCD Board Supervisor

Sarah Moorehead, TCD Executive Director

Sophia Barashkoff, TCD Staff

Joey Burgess, TCD Staff

Ben Cushman, TCD Legal Counsel

- 1 1. Topic List Review, *All*
- 2 2. Staff Presentation: Skookumchuck River Restoration Monitoring, *Joey Burgess*
- 3 3. Annual and Strategic Planning, *Sarah Moorehead*
- 4 4. WACD Legislative Day Debrief, *All*
- 5 5. Thurston Regional Planning Council Representation, *TJ Johnson*
- 6 6. Conservation and Education Center (CEC) Development, *All*
- 7 7. TCD Long Term Funding Committee, *All*
- 8 8. Important Updates & Announcements
- 9 a. Board of Supervisors, *All*
- 10 b. Executive Director, *Sarah Moorehead*
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Respectfully,

Signed by: 
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TJ Johnson, TCD Board Chair

Thurston Conservation District Board of Supervisors

Regular Board Meeting Minutes

February 25, 2025

Hybrid: In-Person and Virtual on Zoom

Originally Scheduled: 6:30 p.m. – 7:35 p.m.

Actual Meeting Time: 6:30 pm – 7:00 p.m.



Present at Meeting:

TJ Johnson, TCD Board Chair

Betsie DeWreede, TCD Board Vice Chair

Doug Rushton, TCD Board Supervisor

Marianne Tompkins, TCD Board Supervisor

Sarah Moorehead, TCD Executive Director

Sophia Barashkoff, TCD Staff

Ben Cushman, TCD Legal Counsel

Josh Giuntoli, Washington State

Conservation Commission (WSCC)

DaShell Burnham, National Resources

Conservation Service (NRCS)

Audrey Mechtenberg, NRCS Partner

Biologist, Pheasants Forever

Summary of Action Items

- 1 • None.

Summary of Motions Passed

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- 3 *Supervisor Rushton moved to approve the Amended Agenda. Supervisor DeWreede seconded.*
- 4 *Motion passed unanimously, (4-0).*
- 5 *Supervisor DeWreede moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Supervisor Tompkins seconded.*
- 6 *Motion passed unanimously, (4-0).*
- 7 *Supervisor DeWreede moved to approve the TCD Resolution #2025-02: WA State Local*
- 8 *Government Investment Pool (LGIP). Supervisor Rushton seconded. Motion passed*
- 9 *unanimously, (4-0).*
- 10 *Supervisor Tompkins moved to adjourn the February 25, 2025 TCD Board Meeting. Supervisor*
- 11 *DeWreede seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (4-0).*

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12 Welcome & Introductions

13 At 6:30 p.m., TCD Board Chair TJ Johnson called the February 25, 2025 Regular Board Meeting

14 to order. TCD Board, Staff, members of the public, and Legal Counsel were introduced by Board

15 Chair Johnson. For each vote, TCD Board Chair Johnson called out Supervisors by name. He

16 announced that the meeting was being video recorded. TCD Supervisors Johnson, DeWreede,

17 Rushton, Tompkins and Executive Director Moorehead attended the meeting in person at the

18 TCD office. Supervisor Iyall was not in attendance and was excused.

19 **Agenda Review**

20 Supervisor TJ Johnson proposed removing *Item 8 Executive Session: To discuss potential*
21 *litigation* from the agenda.

22 ***Supervisor Rushton moved to approve the Amended Agenda. Supervisor DeWreede seconded.***
23 ***Motion passed unanimously, (4-0).***

24 **Consent Agenda**

- 25 A. January 28, 2025, Board Work Session & Meeting Minutes
26 B. 2025 February Financial Report
27 C. 2025-2035 Thurston County Rates and Charges Funding Agreement

28 ***Supervisor DeWreede moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Supervisor Tompkins seconded.***
29 ***Motion passed unanimously, (4-0).***

30 **Public Comment**

31 No public members made comments.

32 **Partner Reports**

- 33 A. National Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) Update, DaShell Burnham
34 • Ms. Burnham gave an update.
35 • Ms. Burnham introduced Audrey Mechtenberg who will be doing private lands
36 conservation work for NRCS.
37 B. Washington State Conservation Commission (WSCC) Update, Josh Giuntoli
38 • Mr. Giuntoli gave an update.
39 C. Washington Association of Conservation Districts (WACD) Update, TCD Supervisor Doug
40 Rushton.
41 • Supervisor Rushton gave an update.
42 • A written update was provided to the board.
43 D. National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD) Update, TCD Supervisor and NACD
44 Board Member Rushton
45 • A written update was provided to the board.

46 **TCD Resolution #2025-02: WA State Local Government Investment Pool (LGIP)**

47 ***Supervisor DeWreede moved to approve the TCD Resolution #2025-02: WA State Local***
48 ***Government Investment Pool. Supervisor Rushton seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (4-***
49 ***0).***

50 **Governance**

- 51 A. March 25, 2025 Work Session Topic List & Meeting Agenda Development

52 **Work Session**

- 53 • Topic List Review, All

- 54 • Staff Presentation: Food Processing and Tool Rental Program Update, *Aimee*
- 55 *Richardson*
- 56 • Community Partner Presentation: Wolf Haven International, *Amy Porter*
- 57 • Annual and Strategic Planning, *Sarah Moorehead*
- 58 • Long-Term Funding Committee, *All*
- 59 • Riverbend Ranch Project Update, *Sarah Moorehead*
- 60 • Conservation & Education Center (CEC) Development, *All*
- 61 • Important Updates & Announcements
- 62 ○ Board of Supervisors, *All*
- 63 ○ Executive Director, *Sarah Moorehead*

64 **Board Meeting Agenda**

- 65 • Welcome, Introductions, Audio Recording Announcement
- 66 • Agenda Review
- 67 • Consent Agenda
- 68 ○ February 25, 2025 Board Work Session & Meeting Minutes
- 69 ○ March 2025 Financial Report
- 70 • Public Comment
- 71 • Partner Reports (if present)
- 72 ○ National Resources Conservation Service
- 73 ○ Washington State Conservation Commission
- 74 ○ Washington Association of Conservation Districts
- 75 ○ National Association of Conservation Districts
- 76 • Governance, *All*
- 77 ○ April 22, 2025 Work Session Topic List & Meeting Agenda Development
- 78 • **Executive Session:** to consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of real
- 79 estate by lease or purchase when public knowledge regarding such consideration
- 80 would cause a likelihood of increased price.

81 ***Supervisor Tompkins moved to adjourn the February 25, 2025 TCD Board Meeting. Supervisor***

82 ***DeWreede seconded. Motion passed unanimously, (4-0).***

83 **Adjourn 7:00 pm**

Respectfully,

Signed by:

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TJ Johnson, TCD Board Chair

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