

# COWLITZ-WAHKIAKUM COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

## Regular Board Meeting

Cowlitz County Administration Building – General Meeting Room  
Thursday, July 26, 2018 – 12:00 p.m.

### MINUTES

#### General/Special Representatives/Alternates

Dennis Weber, Cowlitz County, Vice Chair  
Blair Brady, Wahkiakum County  
Rosemary Siipola, City of Kalama  
Mike Karnofski, City of Kelso  
Scott Vydra, City of Longview  
Susan Humbyrd, City of Woodland

Norm Krehbiel, Port of Longview  
Bob Kizziar, Wahkiakum Port 1  
Dale Boon, Port of Woodland  
Dell Hillger, Beacon Hill  
Bill Hallanger, Cowlitz 2 Fire & Rescue  
Ray Johnson, Cowlitz PUD

#### Associate/Affiliate Representatives/Alternates

Jeff Cameron, Cowlitz Transit Authority

Debbie Stanley, 3 Rivers Regional Wastewater Authority

#### Guests

Carter Timmerman, WSDOT  
Kirk Northcut, Cowlitz County Fire District #1

Scott Seroshek, WSDOT  
Stephen Slaughter, Washington State Department of Natural Resources

#### Staff

Bill Fashing  
Lauren Read  
Rachelle Thomas

Ken Pearrow  
Robert Stevens

#### 1. Call to Order & Introduction

Vice Chair, Dennis Weber, called the meeting to order at 12:02 p.m. Introductions were made.

#### 2. Public Comment

No public comment.

#### 3. Consent Agenda

- A. May 24, 2018 Minutes
- B. May 2018 Expenditures
- C. June 2018 Expenditures

**Motion:** A motion was made by Susan Humbyrd to approve the consent agenda as presented. This included: (A) May 24, 2018 meeting minutes, (B) May 2018 expenditures in the amount of \$62,391.84 and (C) June 2018 expenditures in the amount of \$68,134.93. The motion was seconded. No discussion. Voting all in favor. Motion carried.

#### 4. Action Items

##### A. Resolution 18-11: Cowlitz Fire District #1 Membership

Director Fashing explained that Cowlitz County Fire District #1, if approved, would be a Special Member of the CWCOG. Meaning that they are a special purpose district or quasi-municipal corporation governed by a board of elected officials (per the Articles of Association).

**Motion:** A motion was made by Blair Brady to approve Resolution 18-11 as presented. The motion was seconded. No discussion. Voting all in favor. Motion passed.

B. Resolution 18-12: Amending the CWCOG Articles of Association and Bylaws

Due to Resolution 18-11 being approved, the Articles of Association and Bylaws are required to be amended to include Cowlitz County Fire District #1 as a Special Member.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Susan Humbyrd to approve Resolution 18-12 as presented. The motion was seconded. Voting all in favor. Motion passed.

C. Board Action: Three Rivers Regional Wastewater Authority Membership

Director Fashing explained that under the old Articles of Association and Bylaws there was no formal process of adding a new Affiliate Member to the Board of Directors. As a matter of record keeping, the membership of Three Rivers Regional Wastewater Authority has been brought to the Board of Directors for official approval even though they have been considered an Affiliate Member since May of 2017.

**Motion:** A motion was made by Scott Vydra to approve Three Rivers Regional Wastewater Authority Membership as presented. The motion was seconded. Voting all in favor. Motion passed.

5. **Information Items**

A. Census Project Senate Letter

Director Fashing informed the Board of Directors that the letter included in the Agenda Packet is to be sent to the Senate requesting that they fully fund the 2020 census.

B. Presentation: Landslide Hazards and LIDAR Mapping

Stephen Slaughter, Washington State Department of Natural Resources

A presentation was given on landslide hazards within the region and how the Department of Natural Resources is using LIDAR mapping to update outdated maps of landslide prone areas and floodplains. The definition of and benefits of LIDAR were explained and multiple handouts were provided.

6. **Executive Director's Report**

A. CEDC U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Change of Regulatory Jurisdiction Cover Letter

The Board of Directors had previously approved this letter at the February meeting. The letter has been sent to Washington D.C. and the CWCOG is currently waiting for a response.

Director Fashing informed the Board of Directors that the Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) identifies landslide areas within the five-county region.

CWCOG Staff is currently working to standardize the project ranking process for transportation and economic development per federal requirements. A draft process will be presented to the Board of Directors next month.

The CWCOG is currently working with ODOT to potentially get \$5,000 more in funding for the Oregon part of the MPO. Director Fashing will be meeting with the Oregon MPO Consortium next week.

Staff completed a required sub-recipient monitoring of the joint CWCOG/City of Longview Revolving Loan Fund.

The CWCOG will be having a two-week accountability audit beginning on August 13.

The Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) is in its final form and will be brought to the Board of Directors for approval soon.

The CHSTP will be brought to the Board of Directors for approval by December.

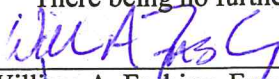
7. **Executive Committee Report**

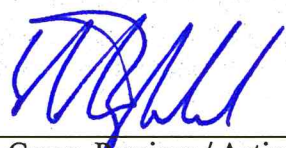
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8. **Other Business**

None.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 12:58 p.m.

  
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William A. Fashing, Executive Director

  
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Michael Green, Previous / Acting Chair

  
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Lauren Read, Planning Assistant