

**Consolidated Diking Improvement District No. 1**  
**Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes**  
**CDID No. 1 Office, 5350 Pacific Way, Longview, Washington**

**August 8, 2023**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Supervisors of Consolidated Diking Improvement District No. 1 was called to order by Chair, Tim Kilmer, at 9:00 a.m., August 8, 2023.

**Present:**

**Board of Supervisors:**

Tim Kilmer, Chair  
 Bill Hallanger, Vice-Chair  
 Sherry Bean, Secretary

**Staff:**

Amy Blain, District Manager  
 Morgan Atkins, Administrative Finance Assistant  
 Chance Cox, Operations Foreman

**Legal Counsel:**

Frank Randolph

**Agenda**

The following item was added to the agenda:

**Old Business:**

- Columbia River Treaty

A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

**Minutes**

On a motion made, seconded and carried the reading of the minutes of the CDID No. 1 Board of Supervisors regular meeting, held on July 25, 2023, copies of which had been submitted to the Board, was waived and the minutes were approved as if read.

**Permit No. 23-02, 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue Streetscape**

Ms. Blain recalled discussion of Permit No. 23-02, 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue Streetscape the City of Longview, approved at the March 14, 2023 Board of Supervisors regular meeting. Ms. Blain explained the City is replacing the bridge across Cutoff Slough and adding bike lanes and sidewalks on 46<sup>th</sup> Avenue, along with construction improvements for CDID#1.

The City's contractor is installing sheet piling and block nets on both sides of the existing bridge to herd and remove fish, and isolate and dewater the work area. Ms. Blain noted multiple pumps are onsite to keep up with seepage and groundwater intrusion, and provide bypass pumping around the dewatered work area. Ms. Blain reported nearby

homeowners expressed concern to the District regarding dead fish in the Cutoff Slough and a visible sheen on the water. Ms. Blain explained fish kills are attributed to low water level, elevated water temperature due to record heat and low dissolved oxygen. Ms. Blain explained the low water level exposed rotting vegetation along the banks and the decay process releases natural oils that leave a sheen on the water. The contractor's equipment was visually inspected and there is no evidence of hazardous leaks or spills.

### **Permit No. 23-09, Material Staging Area for Brothers Pipeline c/o JE McAmis**

Brother's Pipeline c/o JE McAmis submitted a Permit Encroachment Application for a 50 by 100-foot gravel staging area on the riverward side of the levee west of the Pioneer Pump Station. Ms. Blain explained the area was discovered already covered with gravel during a pre-levee inspection and a Determination of No Impact was issued by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) for the new gravel surfacing.

A motion was made and seconded, to approve Permit No. 23-09, Material Staging Area for Brothers Pipeline c/o JE McAmis, as presented. Motion carried.

### **Permit No. 23-11, Nippon Dynawave Packaging Levee Paving**

Nippon Dynawave Packaging paved an existing gravel levee access road and installed two mobile truck dumps for chipping operations in response to a recent fire. Ms. Blain explained the fire did not damage to the levee, but damaged conveyances that move wood chips and prompted the need for an alternate access route. Nippon Dynawave Packaging notified the District two days prior to paving and Ms. Blain notified the USACE who wanted specific information to retroactively permit the emergency paving. Ms. Blain stated paving was completed 14 days post fire with the assistance of 11 companies. Nippon is hiring Gibbs & Olson (G&O) to replace two levee monuments that were disturbed by paving operations. Ms. Blain stated she inspected the area pre and during paving and recommended permit approval subject to approval from the USACE.

Following discussion, a motion was made and seconded, to approve Permit No. 23-11, Nippon Dynawave Packaging Levee Paving subject to USACE approval. Motion carried.

### **Stormwater Manager's Report**

Steve Haubner, City of Longview Stormwater Manager, was absent from the meeting.

### **Engineer's Report**

Property and Easement Acquisition: Amy Blain, District Manager, reported District staff met with a property owner at the end of 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue where Ditch No. 8 connects with Bypass Ditch to discuss the purchase of 25-feet from the top of ditch bank to allow continuous maintenance access for operations. Ms. Blain engaged Cowlitz County Title

Company for a title search of the parcel and requested a proposal from G&O to survey property corners.

Ms. Blain recalled Pat Sari, owner of the Longview Business Park on Alaska Street near Ditch No. 3 recently granted the District 30-feet of easement for maintenance. The adjacent property owner of Affordable Construction & Plumbing has also verbally agreed to grant the District easement with the caveat the District installs a gate to secure the property. Ms. Blain reported District staff are also meeting the other adjacent property owner to discuss easement for maintenance which would provide continuous access.

Columbia River Treaty: The Columbia River Treaty created in 1964 between Canada and the United States (U.S.) to jointly manage the Columbia River with a goal of coordinating flood control and optimizing hydroelectric power is coming to the end of its 60-year minimum in September 2024. Ms. Blain reported the District was invited to participate in a tour on August 23, 2023 with the USACE and federal dignitaries from the federal Office of Management and Budget discussing the renegotiation of the treaty Ms. Blain noted she reached out to the other local Diking District's to ensure their concerns will also be conveyed.

### **Operations Foreman Report**

Chance Cox, Operations Foreman, reported on the following maintenance activities:

- Vegetation removal along the Cutoff Slough to 52<sup>nd</sup> Avenue. Using the airboat to remove iris mats.
- Assisting the City with aquatic herbicide application in Lake Sacajawea to treat algae, milfoil and lily pads using the District's airboat.
- Darren Frye, Lead Person, is getting certified with SePRO to treat aquatic weeds using ProcellaCOR via Zoom.

### **Attorney's Report**

Frank Randolph, Legal Counsel, had nothing new to report.

### **Old Business**

Unemployment Appeal Hearing: Ms. Blain reported Gordon Bolar didn't appear for the unemployment appeal hearing and the case was dismissed. Ms. Blain noted Mr. Bolar is provided an additional 30 days to appeal the dismissal.

### **Public Comment**

There was no one present for public comment.

## **Board of Supervisors Report**

The Board of Supervisors had nothing new to report.

### **Approval of August 8, 2023 Claim Summary**

After review of District claims, a motion was made and seconded by the Board to approve and execute the August 8, 2023 Claim Summary submitted in the amount of \$83,913.90. Motion carried.

### **Approval of the July 2023 Board of Supervisors Time and Expenses**

Upon a motion made, seconded and adopted, the Board of Supervisors' July 2023 Time and Expense were approved. Motion carried.

### **Ratification of July 31, 2023 Payroll and Benefits**

Upon a motion made, seconded and adopted by the Board, the payroll and benefits expenditures for the pay period ending July 31, 2023 were approved in the amount of \$40,898.92. Motion carried.

### **Adjourn Meeting**

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:55 a.m.

The next regular Board of Supervisors' meeting is scheduled for August 29, 2023.

The Advisory Committee meeting is scheduled for August 17, 2023.

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Tim Kilmer, Chair

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Sherry Bean, Secretary

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Bill Hallanger, Vice-Chair