# Whatcom County Council Water Work Session

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**Minutes - Final** 

VIRTUAL MEETING - VIEW ONLINE

Tuesday, April 13, 2021 10:30 AM Virtual Meeting

### COUNCILMEMBERS

Rud Browne
Barry Buchanan
Tyler Byrd
Todd Donovan
Ben Elenbaas
Carol Frazey
Kathy Kershner

## **CLERK OF THE COUNCIL**

Dana Brown-Davis, C.M.C.

#### Call To Order

Council Chair Barry Buchanan called the meeting to order at 10:33 a.m. in a virtual meeting.

### Roll Call

Present: 6 - Rud Browne, Barry Buchanan, Tyler Byrd, Todd Donovan, Ben Elenbaas and

Carol Frazey

**Absent:** 1 - Kathy Kershner

## Overview of 2021 Flood Control Zone District Capital Projects

The following people spoke:

- Gary Stoyka, Public Works Department
- Paula Harris, Public Works Department

Harris gave a presentation and answered questions about the Abbott project and how the Council can help with challenges of the Lynden Levee project.

# **Water Resources Update**

Gary Stoyka, Public Works Department, updated the Councilmembers on the following:

- Adjudication/water settlement process and funding
- The Regional Water Supply planning process
- The Groundwater Model Peer Review
- Work with Whatcom Water Alliance and Whatcom Conservation
   District on domestic and agriculture water use efficiency
- Agenda topics of the Watershed Management Board and the WRIA 1 Planning Unit
- Funding for construction of the Kenny Creek culvert replacement from the House Capital budget
- Locations for Lake Whatcom Aquatic Invasive Species inspections
- A redesign and refurbishment of the South Bay boat launch

### Sudden Valley Community Association Memorandum of Understanding

Kraig Olason, Public Works Department, gave a presentation and answered whether the agreement is project-specific, whether there are other opportunities in the watershed to improve the conveyance ahead of putting in vaults, using energy dissipation as erosion control, whether this is a model that can be used in other areas, and whether there is any cost sharing for the build out of the project.

# **Other Business**

There was no other business.

# Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 11:23 a.m.

The County Council approved these minutes on May 4, 2021.

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Barry Buchanan, Council Chair

Dana Brown Davis, Council Clerk

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