

North Lynden Watershed Improvement District

Minutes – ~~February 20~~, 2024

March 19,

Attendees

“(t)” indicates presence via tele-conference, “(p)” indicates proxy vote.

Board – Present	Board – Absent with Notice
Larry Stap (<i>chair</i>) (t) Kevin Engelsma Kevin Te Velde Harman Brar	Brad Rader

Staff and Consultants	
Name	Organization / Affiliation
Gavin Willis	Ag Water Board
Katie Faber (t)	AESI
Cynthia May (t)	Whatcom Conservation District
Jay Chennault (t)	AESI
Fred Likkel	Whatcom Family Farmers

Other Guests	
Name	Organization / Affiliation
Alan Chapman (t)	Whatcom Conservation District

Proceedings

Lynden High School FFA Ag Issues Team gave a presentation on bee vectoring.

Larry called the meeting to order at 9:23 am.

1. Consent Agenda

- a. Agenda was reviewed.
- b. February 20 minutes were reviewed.
- c. Financial reports and voucher in the amount of \$10,485.95 were reviewed.
- d. Kevin E moved to approve the consent agenda. Kevin T seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

2. Administration

- a. Kevin T moved to approve Resolution 2024-02 – Appointment of Agent to Receive Claims for Damages. Kevin E seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

3. Ag Water Board / Water Supply

- a. Letter to ECY re: draft claims form and letter to Whatcom County Planning Department re: 2025 Comp Plan update were both previously shared with board members via email.

4. Drainage / Habitat / Flood

- a. Fred provided an update on FLIP. Doesn't seem to be much getting done, and the projected work plan doesn't have significant action until 15+ years from now. May be a need for AWB and/or

WFF to do outreach to farms in floodplain area to let them know they need to be prepared for flooding, and perhaps implement an early warning system.

- b. No areas of concern for ditch maintenance, other than finish up work on Assink Rd that was started last year.

5. Water Quality

- a. Cynthia provided a WQ update. Main issue has been high counts on Double Ditch coming across the border. There have also been recurring moderate to high counts at the north end of Depot Rd. Expect to get reports back from BC Ministry of the Environment sometime in April.

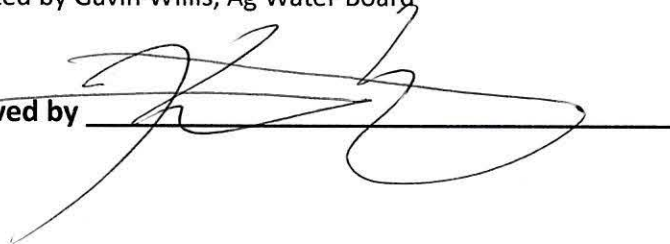
6. Next Meeting

- a. Next meeting is scheduled for April 16th at 9:00 am.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:46 am.

Submitted by Gavin Willis, Ag Water Board

Approved by _____

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