

**MINUTES
MULTNOMAH COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT #1
LANDOWNER ANNUAL MEETING
JANUARY 18, 2007**

Pursuant to advertised notice, the Annual Landowner's meeting of Multnomah County Drainage District #1 was held at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, January 18, 2007 at the Multnomah County Drainage District Office, 1880 NE Elrod Drive, Portland, Oregon.

Board members present were:

Tim Warren, President
Chuck Harrison, Supervisor
George Lingelbach, Supervisor
Grant Zadow, Supervisor
Larry Cooper, Supervisor

MCDD staff present was:

Bob Eaton, Executive Director
Dave Hendricks, Deputy Director
Donata Tiley, District Engineer
Kim McRobbie, Secretary Pro Tem
Gloria Gallego, Office Specialist
Bruce McClelland, Environmental Coordinator
Steve Luna, Chief Mechanic

CALL TO ORDER

Board President Tim Warren called the meeting to order at 7:11 P.M. Secretary/Treasurer Bob Eaton confirmed that the required mailings and advertisements had been done to notify landowners of the meeting.

WELCOME

Warren welcomed everyone and thanked them for attending. He introduced the board members and the MCDD staff present this evening. President Warren explained that this was the 89th Annual Meeting for the District and that this year will commensurate the 90th anniversary. Warren told the group that MCDD is one of the best special districts in the country and it is a pleasure to work with such great staff. Warren was also proud to announce that the field staff had been honored with a safety award for 2006 earlier today and had zero recordable accidents for the entire year.

DETERMINATION OF QUORUM:

Executive Director Bob Eaton announced that with 53% of voting acres represented in person or by proxy, a quorum was reached. Of the 8,598 voting acres, 4,561 are represented. A list of attendees and proxies is attached and made a permanent part of these minutes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Warren noted that copies of the minutes had been available in advance by request and were included in the meeting packet available upon arrival. He asked if there were any corrections or additions. There were none. Larry Cooper moved to adopt the minutes from the January 18, 2006 landowner meeting as written. Chuck Harrison seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR ELECTION FOR BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

Since Tim Warren was up for re-election, he asked Larry Cooper to chair this portion of the agenda. Larry Cooper noted that seat #1, currently held by Tim Warren, is up for election for a term through January 2010. Warren has acknowledged his willingness to serve if elected. Cooper asked if anyone would like to nominate Warren. Chuck Harrison nominated Tim Warren and Susan Barthell seconded. Cooper asked for other nominations from the floor. There were none.

Chuck Harrison made a motion to elect Tim Warren to board seat #1 with a term of office ending January 2010. Grant Zadow seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Bob Eaton administered the oath of office to Tim Warren and Larry Cooper who was elected at last year's meeting but was unable to attend.

Eaton congratulated both individuals and welcomed their continued participation on the Board.

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

Warren called on Bob Eaton to introduce the Special Recognition Award. Eaton explained that the District's state-of-the-art hydraulically engineered system is the result of long hard work by many, but especially of one man. David Crawford is the professional engineer hired to create the system and he gave of himself professionally and personally to bring the system on line. Eaton spoke about Crawford's background and devotion to his work. Warren presented Crawford with an award thanking him on behalf of the District landowners, Board, and staff for his expertise and dedication. In addition, Eaton unveiled a plaque crediting Crawford as a National Leader in Urban Floodplain Management and told all that this plaque would be mounted in the conference room so all now and into the future will understand the vital role David Crawford played. All present gave Crawford a warm round of applause.

POWER POINT PRESENTATION

Warren noted that the District, while small, carries a big responsibility in its mission to protect lives, property, and the environment. He said he and the Board feel the District is being well run and are pleased to be affiliated with the District. He asked Eaton to introduce the remainder of the program.

Eaton introduced the District staff in attendance and the Port of Portland staff liaison to the district, Phil Ralston. He invited those in attendance to follow along with the PowerPoint using a hard copy of the slides found in the meeting packet.

Eaton began by providing a financial overview of the completed FY 2005-2006 noting that the audit provided a "clean" report. He highlighted some key expense and revenue items and then did the same for the existing FY 2006-2007 adopted budget. Eaton explained the status of the Board adopted reserve strategy and talked about five key considerations that went into the formation of the FY 2006-2007 budget.

Hendricks highlighted six key projects completed or begun in 2006. He also discussed the proposed District projects for 2007.

Bruce McClelland spoke to the accomplishments of environmental projects and of the on going planning for Columbia Corridor projects and funding that takes place through the Columbia Slough Watershed Council's Action Plan Implementation Committee. He addressed emergency preparedness training and efforts, and closed by explaining the District's role in a very successful 2006 Columbia Slough Regatta. The Regatta drew 500 registrations and 250 launches. McClelland also spoke on the status of the Districts' facilities and equipment such as the SCADA System. McClelland closed by highlighting pump station and compound security upgrades.

Eaton spoke on the District's efforts at internal and regional planning, the collaboration it takes to do so, and the successful work of the District in streamlining local, state, and federal permitting processes. He provided an overview on the work in progress to create levee landscape standards that could be adopted and applied to all four drainage districts.

Hendricks closed the presentation with a review of how the levees that failed in New Orleans are different in design and reliability from the District levees. The Columbia River levees within the district are designed to provide eight to eleven feet of freeboard during a 500-year water event when the standard nationally is based on a 100-year water event.

NOTE: The full PowerPoint presentation is stored electronically at
G:\presentations\MCDD\landowner meetings\07-01 MCDD's annual landowners meeting.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

Landowner Walt Ruzic had several questions for the Board on topics such as flooding and water quality. Mr. Ruzic also extended his gratitude for what he sees as a job well done. He feels secure in the decisions the District is making and thanked all at MCDD for doing such a great job on behalf of the business and landowners within the District. He extended his congratulations for another year of a job well done.

It was announced that one lucky landowner would be randomly selected from those attending the meeting to receive a VIP tour of Portland International Airport for four people. The winner of the VIP tour was Steve Lebwohl. Warren congratulated Steve and thanked all landowners who attended. Warren explained that the District would be in its 90th year of service in 2007. He stated that the Districts have agreed they would like to do something to commemorate the year and are finalizing the plans.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Warren adjourned the meeting at 9:05 p.m.

APPROVAL

These minutes were approved at a duly called meeting of the drainage district landowners on January 17, 2008.

Attested: _____
Secretary