Skagit County Conservation Futures Program Advisory Board (CFAC)

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday September 13, 2016

Members Attendance

Scott DeGraw Mike Hulbert Owen Peth

Steve Sakuma Andrea Xaver

Members Absent

Wendy Pare Keith Wiggers

Staff Attendance

Kara Symonds, Skagit County Public Works
Linda Christensen, Skagit County Planning & Development Services
Bronlea Mishler, Skagit County Communications Coordinator

Scott called the meeting to order at 7:00 a.m.

Member Update

Andrea spoke about the proposed dike setback project along Rawlins Road.

Agenda Review

There were no changes to the agenda.

July Meeting Minutes

Steve moved to approve the August meeting minutes and Mike seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Farmland Legacy Program (FLP) Annual Report

Bronlea Mishler, Skagit County Communications Coordinator, attended the meeting to receive input from the CFAC for the next FLP Annual Report. There were several ideas and Bronlea took notes as the CFAC spoke. Scott and Mike have assignments to contact local farmers asking if they can speak about the program. Kara will contact these farmers and conduct a brief interview. Owen, being the newest and youngest CFAC member will provide information about the Program and why he serves on the Conservation Futures Advisory Committee.

Property Update

Kara said there are no new updates to report. Most of the 2014 properties have closed and money distributed. There are two landowners waiting for closure due to a subordination matter and the other is waiting for the State Recreation Office to return signed documents.

Financial Update

Two reimbursement requests have been made to the Washington State Recreation Office for the 2014 properties. One reimbursement request has been received and the second request is pending.

New Business

Kara has met with two new applicants who live along Hwy 20.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 a.m.