# WHATCOM COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS BOARD MINUTES OCTOBER 14, 2020

# IN ATTENDANCE (VIA GOTOMEETING):

MEMBERS VOTING: Bellingham: Seth Fleetwood (Secretary-Treasurer), Pinky Vargas,

Hollie Huthman; Ferndale: Greg Hansen; Lynden: Scott Korthuis (Chairman); Nooksack: Tom Jones; Whatcom County: Satpal Sidhu, Carol Frazey; EX-

OFFICIO: WTA: Pete Stark

GUESTS Ken Bell, Port of Bellingham; Michael Lilliquist, WTA; Tom McBride, McBride

**Public Affairs** 

STAFF Bob Wilson, Ron Cubellis, Hugh Conroy

#### A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Korthuis called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. with a quorum present, and he asked Mr. Wilson to perform a roll call.

## B. AGENDA APPROVAL

**MOTION:** Ms. Frazey moved, Mr. Jones seconded, to approve the agenda as presented.

#### MOTION PASSED

## C. CONSENT AGENDA

**MOTION:** Mr. Hansen moved, Mr. Sidhu seconded, to approve the consent agenda, which included the minutes of the meeting of May 13, 2020, and the list of claims from July 1 through September 30, 2020, inclusive, in the amount of \$424,029.44, which was e-mailed to the representatives on October 8, 2020, and which was audited and certified by the Executive Director, acting as the Auditing Officer as required by RCW 42.24.090.

## **MOTION PASSED**

## D. BUDGET REPORT

Mr. Cubellis presented the budget report as of September 30, 2020.

#### E. OLD BUSINESS

None

#### F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Amending WCOG's Personnel Manual

Mr. Wilson explained the proposed amendments to the Personnel Manual and answered questions from the Board.

**MOTION:** Mr. Jones moved, Mr. Sidhu seconded, to amend the WCOG Personnel Manual, as presented.

#### **MOTION PASSED**

2. Presentation of Draft 2021 WCOG Budget

Messrs. Wilson and Cubellis presented the first draft of the 2021 Budget and answered questions from the Board.

3. 2021 List of Regional Transportation Funding Requests

There was consensus to table this item and schedule a special meeting of the Council Board on November 4, 2020, to approve the list of funding requests.

4. Certificates of Appreciation

Chairman Korthuis presented certificates of appreciation to Tom Parker, WCOG's recently-retired lobbyist; Susan Horst, WCOG's recently-retired Director of Mobility Programs, and; Mr. Cubellis, in recognition of his 25 years of service at WCOG.

G. ADJOURNMENT

Scot Kuchiis

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

Scott Korthuis

Chairman

Robert H. Wilson, AICP

**Executive Director** 

Approved November 4, 2020