



AGENDA

Jefferson County Board of Commissioners

Special Meeting Friday – September 1, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

Drainage District No. 1, aka Chimacum Drainage District

This is a Hybrid meeting: Virtual and In-Person Attendance at
Jefferson County Courthouse – Commissioners’ Chambers
1820 Jefferson Street, Port Townsend, WA

Kate Dean, District 1 | Heidi Eisenhour, District 2 | Greg Brotherton, District 3 – Chair

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- Email: You may submit comments/correspondence to us at: jeffbocc@co.jefferson.wa.us up through 11:59 p.m. the day before the meeting.

2:00 p.m. **CALL TO ORDER** GB, KD, HE present

HEARING re: To Consider Whether to Dissolve Drainage District No. 1, aka Chimacum Drainage District; and **POTENTIAL ACTION**

-   Agenda Request
-   Chimacum Drainage District History
-   PPT Drainage District

County Administrator Mark McCauley provided a presentation on the Chimacum Drainage District which noted that in May 2023, the Chimacum Drainage District met the criteria, per RCW 36.96 dissolution of inactive special purpose districts, to be dissolved. His recommendation that the BOCC consider declaring the district inactive and dissolved. He stated that the district was formed in 1919 to

manage a drainage and flood control system. There have been no district funds collected since mid-1960. The district has been inactive since 1974 when the governing board resigned. He reviewed district map, and what inactivity is per RCW 36.96.010. He reviewed the BOCC options: 1.) declare the district inactive and leave it in place, as is, 2.) Declare the district inactive and dissolve it, 3.) Reactivate the district in its current form, and 4) repurpose the district to add irrigation/watershed management/improvement to its mission.

[02:09:02 PM \(00:08:10\)](#) Eisenhower – the stakeholders want to have more time to deliberate on this issue.

[02:10:13 PM \(00:09:22\)](#) Questions from the Commissioners

[02:14:30 PM \(00:13:39\)](#) Chair Brotherton opened the hearing to allow for public testimony. The following individuals provided testimony:

[02:14:59 PM \(00:14:08\)](#) Roger Short, Chimacum

[02:17:44 PM \(00:16:53\)](#) Jeff Chapman, Jefferson County

[02:19:51 PM \(00:19:00\)](#) Joe Holtrop Conservation District – comments regarding developing a management plan. (check video for exact info).

[02:21:08 PM \(00:20:17\)](#) Chair called for more public testimony, hearing no further testimony, he closed the public hearing.

[02:21:34 PM \(00:20:43\)](#) Deliberations ensued.

[02:22:59 PM \(00:22:08\)](#) County Administrator McCauley shared the draft resolution with the Board.

[02:23:49 PM \(00:22:58\)](#) HE moved to approve **RESOLUTION NO. 35-23** re: Determining the Chimacum Drainage District is inactive pursuant to chapter 36.96 RCW. KD seconded the motion. Unanimous. Greg thanked Barbara Ehrlichman for her work on this.

[02:24:56 PM \(00:24:05\)](#) Peak Consultant Vivian Ericson was present to provide closing remarks and next steps.

CLOSING REMARKS

NOTICE OF ADJOURNMENT 2:26 p.m.