

ENVIRONMENTAL HEARINGS OFFICE

Minutes of Meeting

February 15, 2007

9:45 am

The February 2007 meeting was called to order by Chair, Bill Lynch in the Boards' office in Lacey, Washington. Present were Chair, Bill Lynch; Board Members, Andrea McNamara Doyle and Kathleen Mix; Administrative Appeal Judges, Phyllis Macleod and Cassandra Noble, Administrative Manager, Robyn Bryant; Hearings Coordinator, Judy Greear and Administrative Secretary, Debbie Joblonski. Minutes of the January 2007 meeting were read and approved.

Handouts were distributed for review for the month of January 2007, which included the pollution, shoreline, forest practice, hydraulic, and environmental and land use appeals filed, a brief summary of all cases that have closed, and the Case Statistics Report.

Appellate Update

Chair Bill Lynch reported that Citizens To Preserve the Upper Snohomish River Valley v. S-R Broadcasting; Skotdal Bros., LLC; and Snohomish County was appealed to Thurston County Superior Court. Mr. Lynch also reported that Douma v. Ecology was appealed by both sides to the Court of Appeals.

Financial Update

Robyn Bryant reported that we are operating with a 3.5% surplus for fiscal year 2007.

FAQ's

Andrea McNamara Doyle has circulated questions and answers for edits/comments. The next meeting to discuss will be February 27th.

Plain Talk

Cassandra Noble will use our FAQ's, website and the rules adoption documents for our projects in EHO's progress report to the Governor.

Website Update

Bill Lynch reported that we will be having people test the website when it is updated to determine if it is user friendly.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:00 am.

Debbie Joblonski
Administrative Secretary