

Board of Commissioners Meeting  
June 4, 2013

I. The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Pepper Putnam, President. In attendance were Albert Friess, Jim Larison, Mike Langley, Celeste Lilley, and guest Roger Wheeler of R.J. Services.

II. The minutes of the May 6<sup>th</sup>, May 16<sup>th</sup> and May 28<sup>th</sup> meetings were approved.

III. Mike Langley stated that SWD had directed R.J. Services to a location where the sewer connection on a lot on Hurricane Ridge was expected to be. The excavator dug in the area, but sometime later found that the sewer was at a different location. Mr. Wheeler was requesting reimbursement of \$549.04 for ½ day of excavator, operator and laborer time. After considerable discussion, Commissioner Friess made a motion to reimburse R.J. Services for the unnecessary expenditures. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Larison and carried.

IV. The financial report was discussed and approved. Celeste stated that SWD had spent approximately \$120,000 on WWTP improvements since September, 2011, most of which can be used as matching funds for the P WTF loan. Commissioner Larison stated that SWD should be able to reach a 15% match to get the lowest interest rate.

V. The manager's report was reviewed and will be appended to these minutes.

A. Mr. Langley stated that the City of Tacoma may be another possible site for disposal of the lagoon biosolids

B. Water use at the SunLand Golf & Country Club clubhouse was up again. SLG&CC currently pays for three equivalent residential units (ERUs) for the clubhouse and two for course restroom facilities. Langley will write a letter to inform them that SWD is considering increasing the number of ERUs charged for the clubhouse alone from three to five, if there isn't a reduction in usage soon.

C. Sanford Irrigation, hired by Clallam Conservation District, is conducting evaluations of several small and large irrigation systems including the one in Division 15. They will provide SWD with valuable information.

VI. Old Business

A. The District is still working on updates to the website.

VII. New Business

- A. Celeste reported that she received notification that the required employer contribution rate to the Public Employees Retirement System (PERS) would increase from 7.21% to 9.19% on July 1<sup>st</sup>. Employee contributions to PERS will increase from 4.64% to 4.92%.
- B. Health insurance premiums will also increase July 1<sup>st</sup> by 6.3% (about \$50 per month), which is considerably lower than the average increase of 17%. Having conferred with staff, Celeste suggested that the employees would assume 50% of the increase if The District would assume the other 50%. Commissioners Putnam, Friess, and Larison agreed that this was reasonable.
- C. Freon 22 was detected in a few wells drawing water from a shallow aquifer just north of Sequim. SWD will have its water tested for Freon 22 as a precaution.

VIII. Due to the early meeting date, checks and vouchers were not yet available for approval.

IX. The meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Albert Friess, Secretary