

## Southwest Suburban Sewer District Commissioner's Meeting

June 5, 2007

Commissioner Tracy called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Commissioner William Tracy  
Commissioner Tony Genzale  
Commissioner Scott Hilsen

Attorney Eric Frimodt  
Manager Steve Sandelius  
Engineer Evan Henke  
Engineer Erik Waligorski  
Engineer Garreth Gruth

Also in attendance was Jerry Seidl.

### Changes or Additions to the Agenda

Sandelius requested that C & O Developer Extension be added as item 1. M/S/P approving the request.

### Acknowledge Written Communications

The Board acknowledged the Thank You letter from Friends of Burien Parks

Sandelius submitted a request from greenculture.com to be added as a link to the District web site. After discussion, the Board denied the request and directed Sandelius to notify Greg Castillo.

### Consent Agenda

After brief discussion, M/S/P approving the Consent Agenda.

- Approval of the Minutes of the Meetings of May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2007
- Approval and Signing of the Accounts Payable Vouchers & Payroll Vouchers audited and certified by the Auditing Officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on listings that have been made available to the Board. Vouchers are included in the attached lists, and further described as follows:
  - Maintenance voucher numbers 07.0593 through 07.0641 in the total amount of \$101,032.47.
  - Construction voucher numbers 07.0044 through 07.0046 in the amount of \$34,498.33.

### Business Agenda

Sandelius submitted a letter from the Department of Ecology notifying the District that the Miller Creek WWTP has been selected to receive a 2006 "Outstanding Wastewater Treatment Plant" award. After review, the Board commended the operators for their exceptional efforts.

Sandelius submitted a letter from GroCo, Inc. notifying the District that it may be forced to stop accepting Biosolids if the supply of sawdust does not improve within the next 60 days. Sandelius reported the loss of GroCo should not affect District operations as Miller Creek is currently composting 100% of its Biosolids and has Natural Selections to use for Salmon Creek Biosolids. In addition, Soil Key, a composting company in the Centralia area has been soliciting District Biosolids for 2 years. Pricing information is being obtained from Soil Key for the Board's consideration.

Frimodt submitted Resolution 2007-22 Intent to Annex Burien Hills Island Annexation and reviewed it with the Board. After review and discussion, M/S/P approving Resolution 2007-22.

Sandelius submitted a request from Resurrection Lutheran Church to be assessed a one parcel as other parcels in the proposed ULID 79. After review and discussion, M/S/P approving the request.

Henke submitted the bid results for odor control improvements at the Salmon Creek WWTP and reviewed them with the Board and advisors. He recommended rejecting all bids as the one bid was submitted was \$110,000 over his estimate. Henke submitted a memo setting forth his recommendations on methods to accomplish the project and reviewed it with the Board. After lengthy discussion, Henke recommended that the District contract with CHG for the design of the steel building to be used for the building permit application. The design will also be used by the structural engineer to design the footings. Frimodt stated that due to lack of building companies and a need to design the building and footing prior to bid, the recommendation is in compliance with applicable RCW's. M/S/P approving the recommendations and authorizing staff to proceed with the project as discussed.

Waligorski submitted copies of the soils report for the ravine in Evergreen Heights and reviewed it with the Board. He indicated that the soils engineer recommended excavating the poor fill material and replacing it with sound material. Waligorski indicated that further exploration is necessary to determine the best alternative. Henke reported the adjacent property owner may be asked to participate in the cost of the fill material as he will have a buildable lot when the project is completed.

Sandelius reported that the abandoned digesters at Miller Creek have been identified as potential vehicle storage. He indicated that a floor would need to be poured, access ports cut in the walls, doors installed and the covers removed. The cost could be \$300,000 to \$400,000 and could be budgeted for 2008. After discussion, the Board determined that a special meeting should be held at Miller Creek to inspect the area of the proposed project.

Sandelius submitted a memo from Sanchez concerning the recent failure of PS 12. He indicated that the PS 12 is being operated manually due to the recent pump failure. Sandelius indicated that the engineer, contractor and electrical engineer are proceeding as quickly as possible to order the pumps, control equipment and generator.

Sandelius submitted maps indicating the location of two pipe separations in Hurstwood and requested authorization to proceed with repairs on an emergency basis. He reported that the pipe was originally 6 feet deep however, debris has been dumped on top of the pipe and it is now 16 to 17 feet deep. The pipe separations are bad enough that the camera cannot fully inspect the separation. After discussion, M/S/P declaring the pipe repair an emergency and authorizing staff and general engineer to proceed with the pipe repair immediately.

Sandelius submitted a proposal from Day Wireless Systems for a VHF communication system. He reported that the District has a low frequency communication system that was used prior to cell phones and is no longer operational. During the recent power outage, the Nextel phones became useless as the battery backups for the cell towers went dead. After discussion, M/S/P Authorizing the purchase of a VHF communication system and attempt to coordinate with Water District 49.

Frimodt submitted a memo setting forth legal opinions concerning various issues involved in the Commissioner compensation bill that becomes effective July 21<sup>st</sup>.

Sandelius submitted a memo and map concerning the proposed C & O Developer Extension and reviewed it with the Board. After discussion, M/S/P approving Resolution 2007-23 Approving the C & O Developer Extension.

### **Commissioner's Comments or Reports**

Commissioner Hilsen reported he will not be filing for a Highline Water District Commissioner position. Commissioner Genzale commented on commissioner compensation and commercial taxes.

**Public Comment**

Jerry Seidl commented on various governmental issues.

**Executive Session**

At 7:45 pm, Commissioner Tracy called for a 10 minute executive session to discuss the McCalib lawsuit. The executive session was adjourned at 7:55 pm.

**Set the next Public Meeting, Dates and Times:**

Regular Board Meetings:	June 19 <sup>th</sup> , 2007 at 6:00 pm
	July 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2007 at 5:00 pm
Special Meeting	Thursday, June 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2007 @ 6:00 pm

**Adjournment:** The meeting was ended at 7:58 pm

**Attest:**

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**William Tracy**  
President and Commissioner

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\_\_\_Oppose

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**Scott Hilsen**  
Vice-President and Commissioner

\_\_\_Approve  
\_\_\_Oppose

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**Tony Genzale**  
Secretary and Commissioner

\_\_\_Approve  
\_\_\_Oppose \_\_\_