

Chambers, Nilsen and Holobaugh reviewed their written status reports with the Board.

Hall requested authorization for the replacement of the Pump Station #2 force main in the amount of \$56,209.00 for engineering and installation. After brief discussion, M/S/P approving the request.

Hall requested authorization to Award Sylvester Road SW – District Extension project to Blakely Brothers Construction in the amount of \$104,990.25. After brief discussion, M/S/P approving the request.

Hall requested authorization for the design and installation of Bonnie Wood North District Extension. After brief discussion, M/S/P approving the request.

Hall requested authorization to put the Citizen’s Advisory Committee back together to evaluate all considerations on whether to continue composting, or have the District’s biosolids hauled to Eastern Washington farmers. The citizen’s Advisory Committee would be tasked with evaluating: (a) all costs associated with composting, compared to having the District’s biosolids hauled; (b) the carbon footprints of composting, compared to having the Districts biosolids hauled; (c) the cost of purchasing acreage and building a new maintenance facility, compared to current District owned property, and utilizing the compost building as part of a new maintenance facility; (d) public input; (e) community benefits; (f) future sewer rate considerations; (g) long term planning & budgeting considerations; and (h) alternative biosolids handling. Hall also requested scheduling a special meeting to discuss Citizen Advisory Committee requirements & expectations, and the scope of the committee. After lengthy discussion, M/S/P approving the request.

Hall requested authorization to put together a District newsletter for the upcoming billing cycle. After brief discussion, M/S/P approving the request.

Commissioner’s Comments or Reports – None

Manager’s Comments or Reports –

Hall updated the Board on the following:

New procedures for withdrawing funds for Public Works Trust Fund (PWTF) projects that follow the Governor’s Executive Order 05-05.

Grant money for emergency communications. Currently there is only money available for planning, training, exercise and personnel. Additional funds will be available in 2009. Hall stated that last week Ron Simms and Greg Nichols convened a meeting to update wireless emergency radio systems for King, Pierce and Snohomish counties and formed a (Radio Executive Policy Committee). Three sub-committees were also formed.

Requirements Subcommittee, Operations Subcommittee, and Technical Subcommittee. The District Safety Coordinator will sit on the Operations Subcommittee.

Effective July 21st, commissioners compensation will increase from \$90.00 to \$104.00 for each meeting. The new maximum annual compensation has also been increased from \$8,640.00 to \$9,984.00.

As requested from the Board, Hall contacted other compost facilities to see if there was any interest in composting the District's biosolds. Hall found no interest and stated that very few compost facilities have the required "Beneficial Use Facility Permit" through Ecology. Hall also stated that while researching the Department of Ecology's web site, he only found four other municipality or city ran compost facilities in Western Washington composting biosolds. Of the four facilities in Western Washington, three of them are in the peninsula area of the state.

Status of the treatment plants 4-10's shift was also discussed.

Public Comment –

Steve Strand requested that his late fees and lien fees be removed from his sewer bill. Mr. Strand stated that the house is a rental and that he was unaware that there was a separate water and sewer bill for the house. After brief discussion, M/S/P approving the request for the waiver of late fees and the district agreed to remove one-half of the lien fee.

Lee Moyer stated that he had reviewed the composting/hauling carbon study and disagreed with some of the fuel consumption data.

George Hadley asked the Board that in the event that the District was to cease compost production, would the District layoff an employee and reduce its sewer rates. Hadley also shared his opinion of District operational staffing needs.

Executive Session - None

Set the next Public Meeting, Dates and Times:

Commissioner's Meetings – August 19th, 2008 at 6:00 pm

Adjournment

The meeting was ended at 7:50 pm.

Attest:

_____ **Absent**

Scott Hilsen
President and Commissioner

___ Approve
___ Oppose

_____ **William Tracy**
Vice-President and Commissioner

___ Approve
___ Oppose

_____ **Tony Genzale**
Secretary and Commissioner

___ Approve
___ Oppose