



Southwest Suburban Sewer District Commissioner's Meeting

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Commissioners:

William Tracy – President
Scott Hilsen – Vice President (*absent*)
Susan Genzale – Secretary

Consulting Attorney:

Eric C. Frimodt

Consulting Engineers:

Cameron Ochiltree (*absent*)
Pat Kohlbrenner (*absent*)

General Manager:

Ron Hall

March 5th, 2024

1. Call to Order:

Commissioner Tracy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Commissioner Hilsen was excused from the meeting.

2. Also in Attendance:

No others in attendance.

3. Changes or Additions to the Agenda:

No changes or additions added to the meeting.

4. Written Communications:

No written communications.

5. Public Comment:

No public comment.

6. Consent Agenda:

- Approval of the Minutes for the February 20th, 2024, Board meeting.
- 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 24.0190 through 24.0234 in the total amount of \$338,968.11.

A motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Commissioner Genzale, seconded by Commissioner Tracy, and unanimously approved.

7. Business Agenda:

Hall requested approval for Resolution 2024-03-01, effective March 1st, 2024, updating and amending the District's General Facility Charge from \$4,402.00 to \$5,252.00 for Single Family Dwellings and from \$3,522.00 to \$4,202.00 for Multi-Family Dwelling Units. After brief discussion, the Board, M/S/P unanimously approving the GFC fees.

Hall and Commissioner Genzale reviewed and discussed the 2022 Washington State Auditors' Office Annual exit conference covering the accountability audit and the financial statement audit. The Board thanked Mesfin Mekonnen and Nikki Savelli for their hard work and quality of work for another clean audit.

Hall requested approval on behalf of the Highline School District to install a grinder pump and forcemain side-sewer connection for a new portable restroom building at Sylvester Middle School that is unable to gravity to current established sewer service line. After brief discussion, the Board, M/S/P unanimously approving the request.

Hall presented a timetable and job posting for the general manager position. After brief discussion, the Board, M/S/P unanimously approving the request.

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8. Manager's Comments or Reports:

Hall updated the Board on his meeting with Ecology to discuss the draft Agreed Order. Hall also updated the Board on his Arbor Heights neighborhood negotiations meeting with Andrew Lee of SPU.

9. Attorney's Comments and Reports:

Attorney Frimodt provided an update on the status of SB 6167 which would have impacted a new law passed in 2023 (SHB 1621) allowing increased limits for self-performing work and the expanded definition of "lowest responsible bidder". Frimodt advised the Board that SB 6167 was attempting to delay implementation of the new statutory language until July 1, 2025. However, SB 6167 did not make it out of committee and the proposed legislation has died. Therefore, the new statutory language adopted in 2023 will be effective as of July 1, 2024.#

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10. Commissioner's Comments or Reports:

No comments or reports.

