



# Southwest Suburban Sewer District Commissioner's Meeting

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**Commissioners:**

Scott Hilsen– President  
Susan Genzale – Vice President  
William Tracy – Secretary

**Consulting Attorney:**

Eric C. Frimodt

**Consulting Engineers:**

Ken Nilsen  
Cameron Ochiltree

**General Manager:**

Ron Hall

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**June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

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**1. Call to Order:**

6: 30 p.m.

Due to the COVID-19 virus epidemic the Board of Commissioner meeting was held via teleconference only.

**2. Also in Attendance:**

No others in Attendance.

**3. Changes or Additions to the Agenda:**

No Changes or Additions.

**4. Written Communications:**

No Written Communications.

**5. Public Comment:**

No Public Comment.

**6. Consent Agenda:**

- Approval of the Minutes for the May 26<sup>th</sup> & June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020 Board meetings.
- 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 20.0553 through 20.0593 in the total amount of \$789,355.68.
- Construction voucher number 20.0029 in the total amount of \$7,265.00.
- Review monthly Income Report.

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

## **7. Business Agenda:**

Ken Nilsen updated the Board on PACE's plans to meet with District staff next week to get back on track with design of Pump Station #8.

Cameron Ochiltree updated the Board on BHC's status of the Salmon Creek Solids Handling Project in startup of the new anaerobic digester, boiler and dewatering device.

Hall requested approval for Resolution 2020-06-01, transferring \$3,000,000.00 from the Construction Revolving Fund to the Construction Fund. After brief discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving the request.

Hall requested approval for Salmon Creek Solids Handling Project Change Order #023 in the amount of \$34,941.00. After brief discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving the requests.

Hall provided a copy of Governor Inslee's Proclamation 20-23.4, Ratepayer Assistance and Preservation of Essential Services for review and discussion. Hall stated that Resolution No. 2020-04-01, that the Board approved in April, 2020 still covered the Governor's extended directives.

## **8. Manager's Comments or Reports:**

Hall reported on the following:

- The 2020 Fall WASWD Conference has been canceled due to safety concerns of the COVID-19 virus.
- Salmon Creek WWTP had a burglary last week. District Staff and the SCP Solids Handling Project contractor staff have taken additional steps in securing the construction site more thoroughly. Nearly all of the tools and equipment had been recovered by the contractor, District staff and the Burien Police Department from a homeless camp just north of the SCP treatment plant.
- Hall had received a letter from Attorney Robert Hardy, who represents Ms. Jean Barrett, who is a property owner in the Beverly Park neighborhood. Mr. Hardy's letter again brought up concern of the District potentially running a sewer main through Ms. Barrett's property. Hall reminded the Board that this issue was resolved about a year-and-a-half ago and that the District will not be continuing the Beverly Park Sewer Extension for a few more years. Hall stated that he already shared this information with Mr. Hardy well over a year ago, and that he tried calling Mr. Hardy back and left two messages requesting to speak to Mr. Hardy, but hasn't heard anything yet.

- Hall reported that he will be on vacation the week of July 6<sup>th</sup> and will not be able to attend the July 7<sup>th</sup> Board meeting and that Mesfin Mekonnen will be filling in his absence..

**9. Attorney's Comments and Reports:**

Attorney Frimodt reported to the Board on King County's application to the State to move to Phase 2 under the Safe Start phased reopening process. Frimodt indicated that the State will likely make a decision on the County's application within 24-72 hours. Frimodt noted that the move to Phase 2 would not provide any relief to the District as it relates to the ability to have in person Board meetings which will not be possible until Phase 3. Frimodt indicated that he will continue to monitor the situation.

Attorney Frimodt also provided a status report on the Fish appeal. Frimodt reported to the Board that Inslee Best had requested an extension of the deadline to file its response brief to July 20, 2020, in light of current workloads and other scheduled legal proceedings. Frimodt noted that his efforts to reach out to Mr. Fish's legal counsel to inquire about Mr. Fish's interest in resolving the matter have not been productive. As a result, the District needs to proceed accordingly.

**10. Commissioner's Comments or Reports:**

Commissioner Tracy reported on his attendance of the WASWD Section 4 meeting and provided an update on all of the topics that were discussed.

**11. Executive Session:**

No Executive Session.

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

July 7<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.  
July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.  
August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.  
August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 6:30 p.m.

**13. Adjournment:**

The meeting was ended at 7:22 p.m.

**Attest:**

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**Scott Hilsen**

\_\_\_Approve

President and Commissioner

\_\_\_Oppose

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**Suzy Genzale**

\_\_\_Approve

Vice-President and Commissioner

\_\_\_Oppose

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**William Tracy**

\_\_\_Approve

Secretary and Commissioner

\_\_\_Oppose