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## Southwest Suburban Sewer District Commissioner's Meeting

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### **Commissioners:**

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

### **General Manager:**

Ron Hall

### **Consulting Attorney:**

Eric C. Frimodt

### **Consulting Engineers:**

Ken Nilsen- (*Absent*)  
Cameron Ochiltree- (*Absent*)

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## February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021

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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:**

Justin Monwai, of Piper Sandler and Company

### **Changes or Additions to the Agenda:**

No Changes or Additions.

### 3. **Written Communications:**

No Written Communications.

### 4. **Public Comment:**

No Public Comment.

### 5. **Consent Agenda:**

- Approval of the Minutes for the January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 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

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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 21.0106 through 21.0148 in the total amount of \$207,542.10.
- Review monthly Income Report.

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

**6. Business Agenda:**

Mr. Justin Monwai of Piper Sandler & Company presented and discussed the refinancing of the 2011 Sewer Revenue bond process and cost savings. Mr. Monwai stated that the District would save nearly \$300,000.00 in interest fees over the next 10 years. After brief discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving the request to proceed with the process of refinancing the Sewer Revenue bond and to prepare a Resolution for the March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 Board meeting.

Hall requested approval to purchase three new replacement pumps for the Pump Station # 17 at a cost of \$36,600.00, plus WSST. After brief discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving the request.

Hall requested authorization to allow a private temporary pump system at 15911 23<sup>rd</sup> Ave. SW. Hall stated that the home has been connected to the District's sewer system since 1971, but the basement bathroom was still on their septic system. Hall stated that the new owners wish to eliminate the septic system and connect the basement bathroom, via approved pump system, to the sewer system. After brief discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving the request.

**7. Manager's Comments or Reports:**

Hall updated the Board on the status of the future Department Of Ecology proposed nutrient reduction changes to the NPDES permit for the Miller Creek and Salmon Creek wastewater treatment plants.

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

Attorney Frimodt reported on the status of the Puget Sound Nutrient Permit litigation involving several municipal agencies with treatment plants against the Department of Ecology. Frimodt also reported on the status of the Beaudet / Lamb collection matter relating to the unpaid connection charge. Frimodt indicated that he was recently advised by Mr. Beaudet that he was retaining legal counsel to assist them in this matter. Frimodt indicated that he was optimistic that having legal counsel involved would be helpful in resolving this matter. In response to a question by Commissioner Hilsen, Frimodt reminded the Board that oral argument before the Court of Appeals on the Fish partition case is scheduled for February 26, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. Frimodt indicated that he will be providing the Board and General Manager with a link where they could watch the oral arguments. Frimodt indicated that he and Mr. Chambers in his office had been preparing for the oral arguments.

