



# Southwest Suburban Sewer District Commissioner's Meeting

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**Commissioners:**

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

**Consulting Attorney:**

Eric C. Frimodt

**Consulting Engineers:**

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

**General Manager:**

Ron Hall

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**October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021**

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**1. Call to Order:**

6:30 p.m.

**2. Also in Attendance:**

Tim Berge & Scott DeLibero

**Changes or Additions to the Agenda:**

Hall requested to change the Executive Session to 30 minutes form 20 minutes.

**3. Written Communications:**

No written communications.

**4. Public Comment:**

Scott DeLibero thanked the Board for purchasing the new backhoe.

**5. Consent Agenda:**

- Approval of the Minutes for the September 21<sup>st</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 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 21.0938 through 21.0989 in the total amount of \$386,477.72.
- Construction voucher number 21.0026 through 21.0027 in the total amount of \$61,951.00.
- 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:**

Hall requested approval for Resolution 2021-10-01, accepting the Highline High School #223 Developer Extension as complete. After brief discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving the request.

Hall and Tim Berge recommended and requested to add Brown & Caldwell to the District's Engineering Roster. Both Hall and Berge met with engineers from Brown & Caldwell, Mark Montieth of Midway Sewer District, and John Bowman of Lakehaven Water & Sewer District to discuss a collaborative effort in nutrient reduction. Both Hall and Berge expressed the advantages and their support in working with the two other Districts and Brown & Caldwell in sharing ideas and costs. Brown & Caldwell already represents Midway and Lakehaven and SWSSD would join their efforts with the Boards approval. After lengthy discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving adding Brown & Caldwell to the Engineering Roster.

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

Hall updated the Board on the following:

- Status of the audit from the State Auditor's Office (SOA). Commissioner Hilsen volunteered to meet with the SAO.
- Set up a meeting with the new City of Normandy Park, City Manager in late October for an introductory meeting.
- He and Mesfin Mekonnen met with Katy Isaksen and representatives from Seattle Public Utilities to discuss 2022 contract customer rates.
- Met with the Union to discuss the mid-contract salary survey, which will be discussed during the Executive Session.
- He and Tim Berge met with the Clean Water Alliance.
- He will be out of the office all of next week on vacation. The Board will not receive their October 17<sup>th</sup> Meeting packets until Monday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.

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

Attorney Frimodt reported to the Board on an initial meeting held on October 5, 2021 attended by many water-sewer districts that are part of the Inslee Best joint representation group relating to the King County franchise ordinance litigation. The districts began general discussions relating to anticipated rent negotiations. We will update the Board in more detail in future meetings.

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

Commissioner Tracy commented on an article he read in the Water Word magazine titled – "Waste Not" and recommended that the other commissioners read the article.

Commissioner Hilsen commented on the solar panel vendor at the WASWD conference.

**10. Executive Session:**

At 7:17 p.m. the Executive Session was called to order to discuss Union negotiations. The announced time for length of an Executive Session was 30 minutes. The Executive Session ended at 7:46 p.m.

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

October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m.  
 November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m.  
 November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2021 @ 6:30 p.m.

**12. Adjournment:**

The meeting was ended at 7:51 p.m.

**Attest:**

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**Suzy Genzale**                      \_\_\_ Approve

President and Commissioner      \_\_\_ Oppose

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**William Tracy**                     \_\_\_ Approve

Vice-President and Commissioner      \_\_\_ Oppose

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**Scott Hilsen**                        \_\_\_ Approve

Secretary and Commissioner          \_\_\_ Oppose