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Southwest Suburban Sewer District Commissioner's Meeting

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Commissioners:

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

Consulting Attorney:

Eric C. Frimodt

Consulting Engineers:

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

General Manager:

Ron Hall

June 7th, 2022

1. Call to Order:

6:30 p.m.

2. Also in Attendance:

Stephan Lamphear & Sarah Moore.

Changes or Additions to the Agenda:

Added Approval for Resolution 2022-06-01 to the Business Agenda.
Added discussion of ductile iron pipe work prevailing wage to the Business Agenda.
Added an Executive Session.

3. Written Communications:

A letter was hand delivered by Steven Lamphear.

4. Public Comment:

Mr. Stephen Lamphear addressed the Board, stating that along with his immediate neighbors, his septic tank is failing and wished to connect to the District's sewer collection system. Mr. Lamphear went on to state that he and his neighbors are unable to front the cost of an extension to the nearest sewer manhole, just one block away. Mr. Lamphear recommended that the District look into the Federal Infrastructure and Jobs Act & the America Rescue Plan Act for potential funding. He also stated that he is concerned about the environmental impact of the failing septic systems to the Salmon Creek basin. Hall stated that the Salmon Creek WWTP trunk line runs through the Salmon Creek basin, but he wasn't sure what side of Salmon Creek it was on. Hall recommended to the Board to have the area surveyed and to have the District's engineering services perform a feasibility

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study to determine if a gravity sewer service to this neighborhood is practical and possible. Hall reminded the Board of the Miller Creek trunk line project that required most of the work be performed by helicopter and spider hoe. In addition, it would be pragmatic and difficult to permit to dig a trench on a steep hillside, or if there was the need to dig through Salmon Creek, which is a salmon stream. Hall stated that he will also look into potential funding that Mr. Lamphear recommended. After lengthy discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving Hall's recommendations. Hall stated that he will reach out to Mr. Lamphear, once he has gathered the information. Sarah Moore stated that she was at the meeting to support Mr. Lamphear's request.

5. Consent Agenda:

- Approval of the Minutes for the May 17th, 2022 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 22.0481 through 22.0549 in the total amount of \$747,738.16.
 - Construction voucher numbers 22.0014 in the total amount of \$1,750.00.
 - Review monthly Income Report.

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

6. Business Agenda:

Hall requested approval for a temporary sewer service pump system for Mr. & Mrs. Points. The Points have built a new home and although sewer service is adjacent to their property, the home is unable to gravity to the sewer service line and it will require pumping. After brief discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving the request.

Hall requested approval to purchase a replacement controller for Pump Station #8 emergency generator in the amount of \$12,856.00 plus WSST. After brief discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving the request.

Hall requested approval of Resolution 2022-06-01, amending the District's Connection Charge Policies relating to Accessory Dwelling Units. After brief discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving the request.

Hall and Frimodt brought up for discussion, the Westwater Construction Company law suite, in that installing ductile iron pipe for water and wastewater will require districts to pay the prevailing wage rate for license plumbers, rather than general labor prevailing wage. This will greatly increase the cost of construction projects. Hall requested that the Board contribute to the litigation cost. After lengthy discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving the request and agreed to contribute \$5,000.00.

