



# 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  
Cameron Ochiltree (*Absent*)

**General Manager:**

Ron Hall

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**September 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022**

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**1. Call to Order:**

Commissioner Tracy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**2. Also in Attendance:**

Katy Isaksen and Nancy Tracy.

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

No changes or additions.

**4. Written Communications:**

No written communication.

**5. Public Comment:**

No public comment.

**6. Consent Agenda:**

- Approval of the Minutes for the September 6<sup>th</sup>, 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 22.00844 through 22.00901 in the total amount of \$691,034.53.
- Review monthly Income Report.

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

## 7. **Business Agenda:**

Hall updated the Board on BHC's status of the General Sewer Plan, Miller Creek Electrical Upgrades, and the DMMD-WSDOT Inverted Siphon project.

Ken Nilsen reviewed PACE's status report on providing the District with information on the retrofit of existing lift stations #11 & #4, and that the lift station #18 forcemain replacement construction project was going well.

Katy Isaksen presented her 2023 Contract Customer Rates analysis to the Board. The analysis recommended that the City of Seattle customers will receive a \$2.15/month increase and the Valley View Sewer District customers will receive a \$2.24/month increase. After brief discussion, M/S/P the Board unanimously approving the recommendation.

Hall presented Resolution 2022-09-01, accepting Normandy Park Mixed Use #231 Developer Extension as complete. After brief discussion, M/S/P the Board unanimously approving the request.

Hall presented the WASWD Code of Conduct for Member Events for review and discussion.

Hall requested to change the November Board of Commissioners meetings from the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays (1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>), to the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays (8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>) of the month. After brief discussion, M/S/P the Board unanimously approving the request.

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

Hall informed the Board on the following:

- He will be meeting with Enduris to discuss Aquatic Land Outfall Easement insurance for both treatment plants.
- Met with the Watershed Company biologist to discuss the final phase of the District Office wetlands mitigation requirements.
- Reminded the Board of the upcoming WASWD Conference in Kennewick, WA.
- Due to the upcoming WASWD Conference, the Board will not receive their October 4<sup>th</sup> meeting packets until Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

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

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Attorney Frimodt updated on the Board on Governor Inslee's recent announcement on September 8, 2022, that the COVID-19 emergency and 10 related proclamations and orders would be expiring on October 31, 2022. Frimodt also reported on some recent developments in the Westwater prevailing wage administrative appeal matter involving the installation of ductile iron pipe. Frimodt advised that the appeal is currently pending before the Director of L&I. The Director of L&I recently issued an order requiring the Department of L&I to provide supplemental briefing on the issue of reliance on industry practice for its interpretations of prevailing wage regulations. Frimodt advised the Board that he is aware of another case where L&I argued that industry practice is relevant in its interpretations, but it had taken a contrary position in the Westwater case. Frimodt will provide further updates when additional information is available.

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

No Commissioner Comments or Reports.

**11. Executive Session:**

At 7:29 p.m. Commissioner Tracy called for an executive session to discuss potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for 10 minutes. Attorney Frimodt and the Commissioners then convened into executive session and the other participants in the meeting excused themselves from the meeting room. The executive meeting concluded at 7:38 p.m. No action was taken by the Board.

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

October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m.  
October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m.  
November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m.  
November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2022 @ 6:30 p.m.

