

# Southwest Suburban Sewer District Commissioner's Meeting

Dedicated to preserve the purity of your environment."

**Commissioners:** 

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

**General Manager:** 

Ron Hall

**Consulting Attorney:** 

Eric C. Frimodt

**Consulting Engineers:** 

Ken Nilsen - *Absent* Cameron Ochiltree - *Absent* 

## **January 3rd**, 2023

#### 1. Call to Order:

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

#### 2. Also in Attendance:

No others in attendance.

#### 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:

- o Approval of the Minutes for the December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022, Board meetings.
- o Approval and Signing of the Accounts Payable Vouchers & Payroll.
- O 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 22.0001 through 22.0039 in the total amount of \$265,902.64.
- Review monthly Income Report.

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

#### 7. Business Agenda:

Hall requested approval to advertise bidding for Phase 2 of the Lift Station #18 Rehabilitation Project. The Engineering costs estimate with contingencies is \$1,782,216.91. After brief discussion, M/S/P unanimously approving the request.

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

No manager comments or reports.

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

Attorney Frimodt provided a report on the status of his review of issues relating to the wastewater treatment agreement with Seattle and the need for a new contract since the existing agreement is now expired. A general discussion ensued. Further discussion with the Board will occur in the future once District staff and District legal complete their review.

Attorney Frimodt also provided a status report on the District's efforts to negotiate an Agreed Order with Ecology regarding the secondary bypass situation that occurs during extreme weather events which is a design feature of the treatment plants. Attorney Frimodt reported that he and the General Manager would be meeting with special legal counsel to discuss this matter. Frimodt noted that Ecology is looking for a response by Friday of this week as to whether the District is willing to meet with Ecology to discuss the Agreed Order process. A general discussion ensued.

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

No Commissioner comments or reports.

#### 11. Executive Session:

President Hilsen convened an executive session at 7:09 pm to discuss the performance of a public employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for 15 minutes. The Commissioners, General Manager and Attorney Frimodt participated in the executive session. The executive session was extended twice for an additional 6 minutes and an additional 5 minutes. The executive session concluded at 7:30 pm. No action was taken.

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

January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. February 7<sup>th</sup>, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m. February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2023 @ 6:30 p.m.

13. Adjournment:	
The meeting was ended at 7:32 p.m.	
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Attest:	
Scott Hilsen	Approve
President and Commissioner	Oppose
William Tracy	Approve
Vice-President and Commissioner	Oppose
Suzy Genzale	Approve

\_Oppose

Secretary and Commissioner