Regular Business Meeting of February 21, 2023

Commissioner Lora Petso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. In attendance were Lora Petso, John Elsasser, Fanny Yee, Kelly Boswell, Billy Ward, and Bob Danson.

ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Danson to add a PFAS update for the well site.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

There were no persons to be heard.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Sign the Regular Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2023
- b) Approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 6, 2023
- c) Approve the Maintenance Vouchers #23-060 through #23-096 for \$143,279.33
- d) Approve the Capital Vouchers #23-097 through #23-102 for \$26,382.10

Action: Motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Moved: Fanny Yee

Second: John Elsasser

Passed: Unanimously approved

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) Watershed Protection Plan Update Guidelines Final Draft Review
 We are updating the guidelines and making them much more protective of our critical areas. The Board will review the Plan and provide feedback before the next meeting.
- b) WASWD Section 3 Update
 - At the upcoming Spring conference, they are going to ask the members to vote on a couple new member "types": Retro-Program Only and non-district utility members, such as PUDs and Cities allowed into the program.
 - PWTF is planning to distribute \$400M, but Western State Hospital needs \$1B to update. This is being mandated by the Federal Government, so this may impact the PWTF.

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- A bill to raise Special Purpose District projects that go out to bid from \$50K to \$450K is getting attention. This is a bill WASWD and its members support.
- Transfer of water rights This bill is trying to allow sharing or transferring of water rights from one entity to another.
- Dept of Ecology is going to produce a study by July 2026 to understand better what the biosolid are. Sewer districts who wish to use land to lay their biosolids are in contention with water districts who claim these biosolids are contaminating their water source.
- The "hot weather" bill that disallows customers to be shut off if the temperature is "too hot" has been altered: "Hot Days" has to be better defined, customers have to request to be turned on, and if a customer has requested to be turned back on, districts can enforce a payment plan.
- Filling commissioner vacancies There must be a nomination of candidates and the names must be advertised.
- PFAS Update at Well Site
 The results at the well site came back as non-detect for PFAS.
- d) 2020 Watermain Replacement Substantial Completion This project is complete. Staff requests the Project to be closed.

Action: Motion to accept the 2020 Watermain Replacement Project

as complete.

Moved:

Lora Petso

Second:

John Elsasser

Passed:

Unanimously approved

ADMINISTRATION SERVICES MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) New Meter Reading Handhelds Purchase Capital Expenditure for \$8K in the near future.
- b) Administration Services Manager out on medical leave for two weeks starting March 1st.

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c) Surplus 2022 Meters – Resolution 1138

Action:

Motion to approve Resolution 1138 - Surplus Meters

Moved:

John Elsasser

Second:

Fanny Yee

Passed:

Unanimously approved

d) Surplus Equipment - Resolution 1139

Action:

Motion to approve Resolution 1139 - Surplus Equipment

Moved:

John Elsasser

Second:

Fanny Yee

Passed:

Unanimously approved

e) Developer Extension – 22430 Dogwood Lane – Jantz 1 SF

Action:

Motion to approve application for DE: 22430 Dogwood Lane

Moved:

Lora Petso

Second:

John Elsasser

Passed:

Unanimously approved

OPERATIONS MANAGER REPORT

- a) Deer Creek Under Drains
 Received bids on drains and looking at having a contractor install them for liability reasons.
 2023 budget is \$130K. By doing some of the work in-house, the cost will be approximately \$115K-\$120K.
- b) Deer Creek Raw Water Strainer
 The strainer after 26 years needs to be replaced. Staff is receiving bids.
- c) SPU Cedar River and Tolt swap flows update
 Currently SPU is pulling water out of the Cedar River in order to replenish the Tolts low levels due to late snowpack. Additional Information is posted on our website.

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- Assessment for the 2.5 Tank Trees
 Staff is having an arborist come out to assess the condition of the trees at the site.
- Sewer Rodder Hose Stuck Quarterly sewer jetting ended with the jetter getting stuck 210 feet down a line. Crews used the TV truck to help nudge the jetter in order to back it out.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

There was no attorney report.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

There was no Commissioner's report.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday, March 6, 2023, at 4:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned 5:48 p.m.

Transcribed by Anne Backstrom.

APPROVED

Lora Petso, President

hn Elsasser, Secretary

Fanny Yee, Vice-President