

OLYMPIC VIEW WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT
Regular Business Meeting of
March 6, 2023

Commissioner Lora Petso called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m. In attendance were John Elsasser, Fanny Yee, Bob Danson, Billy Ward, and Noel Treat attended telephonically. Kelly Boswell was out on medical leave.

PERSONS TO BE HEARD

There were no persons to be heard.

ANY ADDITIONS OR CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Danson added SCADA project update under General Manager's Report and Mr. Ward added Well House Security to the Operations Manager's Report.

PUBLIC INFORMATION SESSION AND PUBLIC HEARING – WATERSHED PROTECTION PLAN

Commissioner Petso opened the Public Hearing. In 2019, the District approved the 2018 Watershed Protection Plan. The purpose of the Watershed Protection Plan is a guideline for protecting, maintaining and approving the quality and quantity of the district's drinking water sources. The plan offers guidelines to be used by both internal and external groups for the long-term protection of the district's water sources. There have been changes to the document that required updates to the 2018 Plan.

Commissioner Petso asked if there were any comments from the public. As there were no members present, Commissioner Petso asked if the Board had any questions for the staff. The Board had no questions.

Customer Celia Kerr then entered the Board Room and announced she was attending the Public Hearing. Mr. Danson repeated his statement.

Commissioner Petso asked Ms. Kerr if she had any questions or comments. Ms. Kerr asked if there was fluoride in Olympic View's drinking water. Mr. Danson confirmed that there is.

Commissioner Petso stated that the levels have dropped with the approval of the State but the reasoning for having fluoride is to properly blend all sources and have clarity and accuracy in the amount that is distributed throughout the district. The Department of Health requires Olympic View to stay compatible with the main source of water, which is Seattle.

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Ms. Kerr's main concern and reason for attending this meeting was the fluoride levels, she asked for clarification on the Wellhead Protection Plan and what that entails. Mr. Danson explained the district's water sources and how they need to be protected from contaminants. Ms. Kerr stated how very important water is to our community.

The next step is to serve the neighboring agencies with the Watershed Protection Plan Update and the District's main obligation is to ensure we submit to the Department of Health.

Commissioner Petso closed the public hearing.

Noel Treat left the meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Sign the Regular Meeting Minutes of February 6, 2023
- b) Approve the Maintenance Vouchers #23-103 through #23-124 for \$104,932.71
- c) Approve the 2023 Capital Voucher #23-125 for \$11,645.00
- d) Approve Shut-off List
- e) Approve Payroll

Action: Motion to approve the consent agenda with the removal of voucher #23-123 in the amount \$1,363.00.

Moved: John Elsassner

Second: Fanny Yee

Passed: Unanimously approved

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

SCADA Project Update

The new servers have arrived. Timing is perfect as the old servers continue to crash. Evolution Controls are working in conjunction with Seattle Techs to get the new servers up and running.

ADMINISTRATION SERVICES MANAGER'S REPORT

The Board was presented with the newsletter for approval.

OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) CCTV Capital Purchase Update

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After much discussion with staff, The District would like to take a different route in lieu of fixing the camera truck. The current truck is extremely old and maintenance is expensive. A new truck can cost up to \$700K. The consensus is to purchase a portable camera unit. There is more flexibility with the portable unit. The value of the old truck could pay for the portable unit, which is just under \$90K. Mr. Ward will come back to the Board to approve the purchase at a later date.

b) **Capital Purchase – Piercing Tool**

The current tool is 25 years old and is broken and cannot be repaired. The whole package is \$5,800. The 4” piercing tool is \$7,500.

Action: Motion to approve the purchase of the piercing tools not to exceed \$15,000.

Moved: Fanny Yee

Second: John Elsasser

Passed: Unanimously approved

c) **Well House Security**

Our duty person noticed last week that someone tried to break into the well house. The front door has a large boot mark on it. They did not get in. Mr. Ward would like to move forward and get internet at the house in order to install some type of security cameras and possibly extend the fencing outside.

ATTORNEY’S REPORT

There was no attorney report.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

Commissioner Petso mentioned a Bill requiring districts with at least 1,000 connections to add climate resiliency elements to their water comp plans. This can be a considerable expense to districts. Commissioner Petso has reached out to WASWD and requested that the size of district be changed to 10,000 connections.

Commissioner Petso mentioned that a session on PFAS is being held by the EPA. She has signed up to speak as an individual.

Commissioner Petso also noted that there is legislation that has passed at the Federal level which has produced earmarks for construction of water facilities.

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Ms. Kerr left the meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 5:35 p.m. the Board contacted Noel Treat, Attorney and went into Executive Session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to discuss potential litigation for 15 (fifteen) minutes. Executive Session ended at 5:50 p.m. with no action taken.

NEXT BOARD MEETING

The next regular scheduled meeting is Monday, March 20, 2023 at 4:30 p.m.

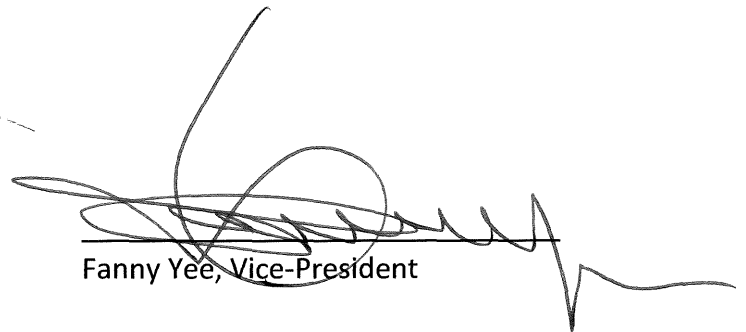
The meeting adjourned 5:50 p.m.

Transcribed by Anne Backstrom.

APPROVED



Lora Petso, President



Fanny Yee, Vice-President



John Elsasser, Secretary