



Meeting Minutes
Virtual – via Zoom
May 13, 2021

Meeting Called to Order: Chairperson Shawn O’Dell (WA Water) called the meeting to order at 10:09 AM and introductions were made.

Minutes: Jacki Brown (City of Port Orchard) made a motion to approve the minutes from April’s meeting. Cami Apfelbeck (City of Bremerton (COB)) seconded. Minutes approved.

Treasurer’s Report: Diana Temple (Silverdale Water District) reported that the current account balance is \$6,820.78. We have received 15 dues payments out of 21, totaling \$3,450. The remaining six outstanding payments amount to \$1000. Vice-Chairperson Jason Nutsford (Kitsap Public Utility District (KPUD)) made a motion to accept the treasurer’s report for May. Cami seconded. Following no discussion, the motion passed and the report was accepted.

Old Business

- No report.

Regulatory Agency Reports

- WA Department of Health – Office of Drinking Water (WA DOH ODW)
 - No report.
- Kitsap Public Health District (KPHD)
 - Kimberly Jones (KPHD) reported that Group A sanitary surveys have begun.
- Department of Ecology (DOE)
 - No department report. Shawn mentioned that the WRIA 15 was not approved. Cami talked about POL-1050 – currently waiting on DOE’s response to comments.

Task Force Reports

- Public Outreach (*Primary Contact: Lisa Campbell, lisa.campbell@ci.bremerton.wa.us*)
 - a. No report.
- Legislative (*Primary Contact: Mike Pleasants, mpleasants@swd16.org*)
 - a. No report.
- Conservation (*Primary Contact: Diana Temple, dtemple@swd16.org*)
 - a. No report.
- Cross-Connection Control (*Primary Contact: Courtney Little, c.little@northperrywd.org*)
 - a. Courtney Little (North Perry Water (NPW)) and Diana reported that a DCD contact is still needed. Cami asked about WA DOH ODW’s involvement with CCC programs and water utilities. Kay Rottell (WA DOH ODW) explained that the program is currently on hold.
- Mapping/GIS (*Primary Contact: Jim Hershberger, jhershberger@calwater.com*)
 - a. Katrina Harris (KPUD) gave an overview of their recent taskforce meeting, which included troubleshooting common roadblocks, such as AutoCAD conversions.
- Shared Resources (*Primary Contact: Rob Robinson, r.robinson@northperrywd.org*)
 - a. Rob Robinson (NPW) expressed the need for more utility participation within the Taskforce. Currently, there are only three members from two utilities; North Perry and Port Orchard. Ned Lever (COB) asked Rob to elaborate on the purpose of the Taskforce. Discussion ensued.
- Emergency Management (*Primary Contact: Jeannie Screws, jscrews@swd16.org*)
 - a. No report.



Meeting Topics

- Kay Rottell (WA DOH ODW) gave a presentation on upcoming regulatory changes and funding opportunities. Kay will send the presentation to Diana for distribution to the group.

General Discussion

- The group discussed making contact with Northwest Water Systems to see if they would be interested in becoming WaterPAK members again. Shawn will find out if NWS owns any systems and, if not, ask if they would like to be an Associate Member.
- Ned talked about the City of Bremerton's struggle with transferring as-builts from AutoCAD to GIS.
- Cami mentioned that the City of Bremerton is doing a Fe & Mn evaluation study, involving quite a bit of sampling and monitoring. They are also doing some focused unidirectional flushing.
- Shawn talked about WA Water's new arsenic treatment plant, installed for a Group B system. Kay mentioned that DOH has a list of Group B's with arsenic levels above 10 ppb. Discussion ensued.
- Shawn reported: ERWOW's two-year Apprenticeship Program will have an opening in July. Contact Evergreen Rural Water for more information. Funding may be available. The Fall ERWOW Conference will be August 31st – September 2nd. Both in-person and virtual attendance will be available. Shawn reminded the group that he is the ERWOW representative for the area.
- Cami reported that Rocky Point Water District has been officially dissolved. Any outstanding business with the system should be directed to Kitsap County.
- The group discussed WA State's moratorium on utility shut-offs. Shawn talked about programs available for WA Water's customers. Some of these programs are out of California. Jason reminded the group that Kitsap Community Resources has funding available for renters. Discussion ensued.
- Shawn mentioned WA Water's recent expansion to Texas. They are now in five states.
- Ned and Shawn pointed out how difficult it has been to get applicants for open positions. Jason talked about KPUD's success using *Indeed*. Discussion ensued.

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Diana made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Jason seconded. Meeting adjourned at 12:05 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana Temple
WaterPAK Secretary/Treasurer