



Meeting Minutes
Virtual – via Zoom
June 9, 2022

Meeting Called to Order: Chair Shawn O’Dell (WA Water) called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM and introductions were made.

Minutes: Jacki Brown (City of Port Orchard) made a motion to approve the minutes from the May meeting. Vice Chair Jason Nutsford (Kitsap PUD) seconded. Minutes approved.

Treasurer’s Report: Diana Temple (Silverdale Water District (SWD)) reported that the current account balance is \$7,372.76. Jacki made a motion to accept the Treasurer’s report. Jason seconded. Following no discussion, the motion carried.

Old Business

- None.

Regulatory Agency Reports

- WA Department of Health – Office of Drinking Water (WA DOH – ODW)
 - Jocelyne Gray (WA DOH – ODW) introduced two new DOH engineers. By the end of the year, the Office of Drinking Water will have experienced a 50 percent staff turnover. Sanitary surveys were discussed. Water system plan reviews will be pushed out to 2023. SW DOH offices are still closed to the public – staff are working from home until at least 2023. Discussion on PFAS testing – sampling done in 2021 or 2022 will count towards compliance requirements. Sophia Petro can be contacted for additional information.
- Kitsap Public Health District (KPHD)
 - Kim Jones (KPHD) reported: Sanitary surveys; KPHD offices are open with new hours; staffing changes taking place – currently hiring.
- Department of Ecology (Ecology)
 - Doug Wood (Ecology), hydrogeologist and permit writer for Kitsap, reported: Reducing backlog of permits; streamflow restoration plan; Foster project in Port Orchard. Discussion ensued about small systems exceeding their water rights and/or production limits. Joel Purdy (Kitsap PUD) asked about the status of the WRIA 15 plan. The draft has been posted on Ecology’s website – funding has not been decided.

Task Force Reports

- Public Outreach/Conservation (*Primary Contact: Lisa Campbell, lisa.campbell@ci.bremerton.wa.us*)
 - Diana reported: Kids’ Day this past weekend went well – approximately 3,000 people were in attendance. A new *WaterPAK* foam core sign is needed as well as more giveaways e.g., pencils, stickers, handouts. The career video is coming along – video will portray four positions. BKAT will be filming in July or August. The next meeting is Thursday, June 16th at 10 AM. Please contact Diana if you’d like to join the discussion and be a part of the process.
- Legislative (*Primary Contact: Mike Pleasants, mpleasants@swd16.org*)
 - Mike Pleasants (SWD) reported: WUCC meetings – active water rights committee; strong push for Policy 20-30 (municipal water law) – ODW is joining the conversation. The next meeting is scheduled for June 21st. DWSRF is offering a full cycle of \$150 million. Public Works Board funding was discussed - water systems encouraged to submit applications to show

need for funding. Federal Fly-in occurred in Washington, D.C. the week of April 25th – WUCC participated. Shawn asked if there's new information regarding lawsuits against PFAS polluters. Mike suggested contacting Lakewood Water for more information.

- Cross-Connection Control (*Primary Contact: Courtney Little, c.little@northperrywd.org*)
 - Courtney Little (North Perry Water) reported: Recent meeting included discussions on backflow testing and assembly tracking software. Local BATs and confined space permits were also discussed. North Perry has switched from using Tokay Navigator software to SpryPoint.
- Mapping/GIS (*Primary Contact: Jim Hershberger, jhershberger@calwater.com*)
 - Jim Hershberger (WA Water) reported: ESRI's lead and copper solution has a major bug – Kitsap County is working on a repair. Data architecture was discussed.
- Shared Resources (*Primary Contact: Andrew Cook, operations@northperry.org*)
 - None.
- Emergency Management (*Primary Contact: Jeannie Screws, jscrews@swd16.org*)
 - Diana reported: Jeannie is retiring soon – new *primary contact* needed.
- FOG (*Primary Contact: Jacki Brown, jbrown@cityofportorchard.us*)
 - Jacki reported: FOG and stormwater were discussed at a recent meeting. The next monthly meeting is set for June 16th – contact Jacki for meeting information. MS Teams page currently in development for shared resources. Cartegraph asset management software was discussed. Brandon Hurst (City of Bremerton) mentioned the issues with pumpers accepting FOG – discussion ensued.

Meeting Topics

WaterPAK Dues 2022

- Discussion ensued regarding the collection of this year's dues. Jacki made a motion to invoice WaterPAK members for 2022 dues. Jason seconded. Following no further discussion, motion carried unanimously. Diana will send out invoices before the end of June.

Kitsap County Fair 2022 Participation

- This year's fair runs from August 24th to the 28th. Discussion ensued about WaterPAK's participation in this year's event. Diana will poll members, via email, regarding their views on participating in such an event. If enough are interested, Diana will sign up WaterPAK for a double booth.

Port Gamble Resource Recovery Facility Tour

- The group discussed setting up a tour of the treatment plant for WaterPAK members. Jason will send an email to members to gauge interest. The tour is tentatively set for September or October.

General Discussion

- Mike mentioned the upcoming South Sound golf tournament on July 22nd. AWWA is planning an addition social event – details to follow.
- Jason talked about AWWA training opportunities – possible Waterworks 101 training in Kitsap next year.
- Cami Apfelbeck (City of Bremerton) asked for a joint DOH/DOE overview class on water reuse regulations. Doug agreed to be involved. Discussion ensued.
- Jacki talked about Port Orchard's Foster project. Active negotiations in progress. Shawn suggested bringing all agencies involved to the table to talk about issues and plans. Discussion ensued.

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Shawn adjourned the meeting at 12:07 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana Temple
WaterPAK Secretary/Treasurer