



Meeting Minutes

Virtual – via Zoom

February 9, 2023

Call to Order: Co-chair Jason Nutsford (Kitsap PUD) called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM and introductions were made.

Minutes: Jacki Brown (City of Port Orchard) made a motion to approve the minutes from January's meeting. Mike Pleasants (Silverdale Water District (SWD)) seconded. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's Report: Diana Temple (SWD) reported that the current account balance is \$8,490.79. Dues statements will be sent out next week with an expected income of \$4,500. Jacki made a motion to accept the Treasurer's report. Jason seconded. Following no discussion, the motion passed.

Meeting Topics

- Squaxin Island Tribal representative Erica Marbet presented on the Goldsborough Creek restoration project. Suquamish Tribal representative Alison O'Sullivan discussed Suquamish Tribe's *Usual and Accustomed* fishing area (U & A) and stressed the importance of maintaining a good relationship between the tribes and local utilities.
- Discussion with Sarah Olson, Kitsap Stormwater Division, about water purveyor discharge requests for water line flushing. Sarah thanked North Perry Water for their consistent submittals; she would like to see more utilities submit forms.

Old Business

- None

Regulatory Agency Reports

- WA Department of Health—Office of Drinking Water (WA DOH—ODW)
 - Ceci Welch (WA DOH—ODW) reported: New Assistant Regional Manager recruitment for SW office; eastern region is hiring Environmental Engineer 3; HQ hiring Wellhead Protection Program Coordinator; HQ Environmental Planner 4 position filled – John Freitag started Feb. 1; Surface Water Program Coordinator retiring this summer. DOH partnering with UW Evans School for surveys on rates and shutoffs; lead service line loan cycle planned for April – guidelines will be posted on DWSRF page by March 1. Funding can be used for inventories and service line replacement. The webinar is tentatively scheduled for March 23. Preconstruction Loan is being renamed *Planning & Engineering Loan*; definition of *Disadvantaged Community* currently being updated; Fern Schultz (WA DOH—ODW) elaborated. If WaterPAK would like a presentation about 2023 funding opportunities, Jocelyne Gray (WA DOH—ODW) is available March or May. The Source Water Protection Program offers grant money to Group A systems to support water resource protection. Discussion on PFAS—required sampling will be added to the WQMS; samples collected for UCMR5 will count towards DOH's initial and quarterly sampling; currently accepting comments on WAC draft rule for on-site nonpotable water systems; Southwest office is working on bringing back *Day with DOH* in the spring; upcoming conferences include ERWOW (February); AWWA (May); and IACC (October).

- Kitsap Public Health District (KPHD)
 - Melina reported: Twenty-nine 2023 Group A Sanitary Survey notifications this year.
- Department of Ecology
 - Doug Wood reported on several current projects.

Task Force Reports

- Public Outreach/Conservation (*Primary Contact: Lisa Campbell, lisa.campbell@ci.bremerton.wa.us*)
 - Diana reported: The Kitsap Home & Garden Expo is May 5-7. WaterPAK will register for a 10x10 booth at a cost of \$1,095. Commercial liability insurance will need to be purchased for ~\$100. Lisa Campbell is currently working on the schedule which will be disseminated next month.
 - The WA State Science and Engineering Fair is March 31 for grades 1-6; April 1 for grades 7-12. This year's event is in-person at Bremerton High School. Judges are needed.
 - Jason mentioned this year's Kitsap Water Festival (April 18). Christy will disseminate information.
- Legislative (*Primary Contact: Mike Pleasants, mpleasants@swd16.org*)
 - No report.
- Cross-Connection Control (*Primary Contact: Courtney Little, c.little@northperrywd.org*)
 - No report.
- Mapping/GIS (*Primary Contact: Jim Hershberger, jhershberger@calwater.com*)
 - Katrina reported: meeting on February 16 to review PFAS and lead & copper service line inventory.
- Shared Resources (*Primary Contact: Andrew Cook, operations@northperry.org*)
 - No report.
- Emergency Management (*Primary Contact: Sid Williams, swilliams@swd16.org*)
 - No report.
- FOG (*Primary Contact: Jacki Brown, jbrown@cityofportorchard.us*)
 - No report.

General Discussion

- Christy asked how utilities handle sewer studies. Email her with information. Discussion ensued.

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Jason adjourned the meeting at 11:59 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana Temple
WaterPAK Secretary/Treasurer