

# Meeting Minutes Virtual – via MS Teams May 11, 2023

**Call to Order**: Cochair Jason Nutsford (Kitsap PUD) called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM followed by introductions.

**Minutes**: Cochair Shawn O'Dell (WA Water) made a motion to approve the minutes from April's meeting. Jim Hershberger (WA Water) seconded. Minutes approved.

**Treasurer's Report**: Treasurer/Secretary Diana Temple (Silverdale Water District) reported that the current account balance is \$10,198.32. Recent expenses include foam core posters and other supplies for event booths and insurance for the booth at the Home & Garden Expo last weekend. There are currently seven members that have not paid 2023 dues, totaling \$800. Diana will reach out to all with a reminder.

## **Old Business**

None.

### **Regulatory Agency Reports**

- WA Department of Health Office of Drinking Water (WA DOH ODW)
  - o No report.
- Kitsap Public Health District (KPHD)
  - o No report.
- Department of Ecology
  - No report.

#### **Meeting Topics**

• Ceci Welch and Sophia Petro (both with WA DOH – Office of Drinking Water) presented on the latest PFAS regulations. The comment period is open until May 30. A draft copy of the comments will be available. A pdf of the presentation will also be available.

#### **Task Force Reports**

- Public Outreach/Conservation (primary contact: Lisa Campbell, lisa.campbell@ci.bremerton.wa.us)
  - O Diana gave an overview of the Home & Garden Expo last weekend. Patrons asked about WaterPAK, gardening soils, and laboratories for water testing.
  - O Diana reminded the group about the next event, *Kids' Day* on Saturday, June 3 at the Fairgrounds. There are five shifts for this event.
- Legislation (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)
  - Jim reported: lead & copper and PFAS tracking; capacity planning session roundtable next week; WA Water designing agency-wide water table map for water level management planning using *ArcGIS Survey 123*; Katrina Harris (Kitsap PUD) will be presenting at the ESRI Pacific Northwest Water Users Group meeting in Bothell on May 17.

- 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.
- Regional Water Cooperative of Pierce County (primary contact: Shawn O'Dell, sodell@wawater.com)
  - O Shawn reported: funding options for PFAS treatment.

#### **General Discussion**

- Shawn mentioned the upcoming June presentation by Evergreen Rural Water (ERWOW) about the apprenticeship program. Robin Waldroop (Rhododendron Heights Water) spoke about ERWOW's Quest Program and its benefits.
- Cami Apfelbeck (City of Bremerton) discussed the correction to the AWWA Excellence in Communications award which WaterPAK received for its career video produced last year. A new certificate showing *WaterPAK* as the recipient, in place of the City of Bremerton, will be issued.
- Cami and Jim discussed the tour of WA Water's iron and manganese treatment facility.
- Discussion concerning customer leak repairs and usage relief.
- Diana mentioned the completed construction on Silverdale Water's new front conference rooms.
   The group will need to decide the platform for future WaterPAK meetings i.e., hybrid or entirely in-person.

Adjournment: With no further business to discuss, Jason adjourned the meeting at 11:54 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Diana Temple
WaterPAK Secretary/Treasurer