

Highline Water District Regular Board Meeting Minutes November 4, 2020

ATTENDEES (Strikeouts indicate absence)

COMMISSIONERS HWD STAFF HWD ATTORNEY(S)

Polly Daigle - Remote Matt Everett, General Manager

Todd Fultz - Remote Jeremy DelMar, Engr./Operations Mgr.

Daniel Johnson-Remote Debra Prior, Finance/Administrative Mgr.

CONSULTANTS

Vince Koester Anne Paige, New Finance/Administrative Mgr. VISITORS

Kathleen Quong-Vermeire - Remote Mary Fossos, Project Coordinator, CIPs

1. CALL TO ORDER

Secretary Fultz called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. APPROVE AGENDA

Motion duly made and seconded to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion duly made and seconded to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

Minutes:	October 27, 2020						
			WARRANTS				
Fund Name		Fund No.	Warrant Date	Vouchers		AMOUNT	
Maintenance (9-075-0010	11/04/2020	25704 - 25728	\$	840,422.73	
Construction 0		9-075-3030	11/04/2020	902435 - 902435	\$	498.00	
CONSENT	AGENDA RESOLUT	IONS					
ltem #	Resolution #	Description					
None							

4. PUBLIC INPUT

No members of the public joined the meeting remotely.

5. **RESOLUTIONS/MOTIONS**

No resolutions or motions were presented at the meeting.

6. 2021 DRAFT BUDGET

Sources and Applications of Funds: No rate increase in 2021; City of Burien will impose an 8% Utility Tax on gross revenue (effective 1/1/21); Budget for customer late fees and lock fees is cut in half due to COVID-19; Employees will receive a 1.9% cost of living adjustment; No increase in wholesale water from the City of Seattle; Water sales budgeted the same as 2020; Medical and dental insurance increased slightly; Travel budget lowered from 16K to 12K; Insurance costs increased.

Capital Improvement Projects: The District engineer will discuss each project at the 11/18/20 Board meeting.

Capital Asset Purchases (C.A.P.): Staff discussed the proposed C.A.P.



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7. STAFF/COMMISSIONERS/ATTORNEY Anne Paige

- 7.1 Accounting Specialist Position New hire Maxx Couch will start on 11/16/20.
- 7.2 <u>Vacation</u> Anne informed the Board that she will be on vacation from 11/05/20 to 11/12/20.

Jeremy DelMar

7.3 <u>Federal Way Light Rail Link</u> – Sound Transit is installing the columns on 30th Ave South and has cleared all the land for the rail system from the Angle Lake Station to Federal Way.

Matt Everett

- 7.4 <u>Burien Utility Tax (Ordinance No. 744)</u> The City passed the 8% utility tax on gross revenue of water and sewer districts at its 11/02/20 Council meeting. The grace period for delinquent payments is 30 days and the City will bil bi-monthly. The District's legal counsel emailed a letter on 10/28/20 to the Burien City Council regarding issues relating to the definition of "gross income." The letter is posted on the District's website.
- 7.5 <u>Kudos from Customer</u> The District received a review from a customer thanking Erik Widener, Utility worker, for identifying an issue with the water meter and keeping his promise to return with a coworker to make the necessary repairs.

There being no further business of the District, Secretary Fultz concluded the meeting at 9:33 a.m.

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