



Meeting Minutes
Silverdale Water District – Small Conference Room
November 10, 2016

Meeting Called to Order: Jason Nutsford (KPUD) called the meeting to order at 10:02 AM.

Minutes: Shawn O’Dell (Washington Water) motioned to approve the minutes from October. Jason seconded. Minutes approved.

Treasurer’s Report: The current account balance is \$2,353.85. There are no outstanding checks.

General Discussion:

- *Discussion about DEM Emergency Operations Center WaterPAK Representative*
 - Jason was going to nominate Kathleen Cahall (City of Bremerton). Jason could be a backup. Kathleen noted that she has to be at the City of Bremerton’s EOC.
 - Silverdale Water District has been talking about having a few staff members involved. Morgan said that Jeannie Screws would be an option, since she is already a part of DEM.
 - Kitsap County Health Department already has staff involved.
 - Morgan suggested having those who are interested sign-up and Jeannie can contact them when training begins.

- *Discussion regarding culvert replacement*
 - Mark Morgan (KPUD) noted that the PUD is looking at spending \$150-\$200K on culvert replacement in 2017. Other items on their capital improvement plan are having to be pushed out as a result.
 - He would like to compile a countywide list of all the projects and costs.
 - Morgan discussed the Bucklin Hill Bridge and Silverdale Way projects. There is a disconnect between project approval and cost to utilities. The projects received federal money and have to meet federal requirements, but the utilities do not receive any federal dollars. Kitsap County is charging 7% for project management and the project manager has the ultimate control.
 - Mark will send out a list on Monday and begin working on compiling a list.

- *Discussion regarding email sent by Kathleen regarding detection levels*
 - Color wheels.
 - Lower detection limit.

- *Discussion regarding City of Bremerton’s lead survey*
 - They were very few galvanized services and goosenecks.
 - They will be doing some field checks.

- *Discussion regarding the records request for City of Bremerton text messages*

- *Discussion regarding the Water Utility Response to Hazards webinar*
 - Resources EPA has for dealing with emergencies.
 - App is very useful.

- *Discussion regarding regional engineers at DOH*
 - DOH has hired two new regional engineers to replace the two who left.



- She does not know what counties they will be assigned to.
- Kitsap County does not have a regional engineer yet.

- *Discussion regarding the AWWA Seminar – WAC Changes*
 - Susan presented the proposed WAC changes. She cannot confirm if these changes have been adopted yet but there were no negative comments.
 - Discussion ensued regarding satellite systems.
 - There is a commercial project in City of Bremerton’s service area that they are trying to figure out how to serve.
 - Utilities can work out boundary line adjustments together if they are in agreement.
 - Discussion ensued regarding mobile home parks.
 - Discussion ensued regarding ready to serve charge.
 - Discussion ensued regarding municipal water law.
 - Susan noted that the WAC changes are not retroactive and will start with your next plan after approval. Utilities can contact DOH to see if their current plan can be extended.

- *Discussion regarding changes in water supply*
 - John Kiess (Kitsap Public Health District) asked for ideas on how KPHD can be notified when there is a change in water supply.
 - This would be for developed properties only.
 - John suggested there be some sort of approval from KPHD before obtaining a water availability letter.
 - Morgan suggested that purveyors send a copy (via email) to KPHD of all water availability letters that are emailed out.
 - John asked that purveyors think about what would be workable.

- *Discussion regarding the Hirst decision*
 - John Kiess discussed the Supreme Court ruling on Whatcom County vs Hirst.
 - Counties cannot approve new development using permit-exempt wells if there would be impairment to instream flows or impact to closed water bodies.
 - There are fears that this will be unleashed on all GMA counties. This may result in homeowners in rural areas contacting purveyors saying they cannot drill a well.
 - There may need to be disclaimers that homeowners who currently have a well may not have legal right to that water.
 - Joel noted that there have been different reactions to the decision among the counties.
 - The Department of Ecology has a Hirst decision summary on their website.
<http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/wr/nwro/hirst.html>

- *Future presentations*
 - Tom Baker from the City of Bremerton offered to do a presentation on cyber security. This will be at the January 12th meeting. Kathleen contacted Homeland Security about doing a presentation as well.

Adjournment: Morgan motioned to adjourn the meeting at 12:00 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lindsay Weaber