

Water District 19
Board of Commissioners Meeting
April 9, 2024

Regular Meeting 6:00 PM

Board President Seth Zuckerman called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 PM. Those also in attendance were **Commissioners Mike Weller** and **Robin Pfohman**, **General Manager John Martinak**, **Operator in Responsible Charge Armin Wahanik** and **Guest Jeremy Hale**.

6:00 Call to Order – **Commissioner Zuckerman**

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, February 13, 2024 – Regular Meeting. **Commissioner Weller** made a motion to approve the minutes as amended; **Commissioner Pfohman** seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

System Operations Report – OIRC Wahanik – PFAS was not detected in recent sampling of the District’s groundwater sources (wells). The results from surface water sources (Beall & Ellis) are not yet available. Recent activities include cleanup of the Ellis Creek source inlet and collection basins. Inspection of the pumping chamber revealed cracks in the walls and holes in the floor. These do not appear to have worsened over time. Corroded pipe supports and equipment supports in the Treatment Plant are being replaced. **Operator In Training McKenzie Bomber** is progressing nicely in skill development: meter reading/maintenance; performing routine rounds and site inspections, preparing for WDM 1 & WTPO 1 certification exams. A leak on 216th was repaired. The bid package for the 216th main replacement project is expected to be completed this month. The King County ROW Permit application has been submitted and approved. Upcoming activities include seasonal maintenance at Beall Creek, annual flushing of distribution mains, preparing the annual Consumer Confidence Report.

Financial Report – General Manager Martinak – Interest income was not yet available from King County and not shown in the Profit & Loss report. The files will be updated once the numbers are available. Ending reserves through March totaled \$1.8 million. To date, the District’s operating ratio for 2024 is 1.0, operating income matching expenses. \$20,000 per month continues to be transferred into the Capital Improvements Fund.

New Business

2024 Lottery/2023 Water Unit Buy-Back List – Discussion – The Board discussed potential improvements to the District’s current water unit allocation process (lottery), limiting speculative interest and better serving those intent on obtaining water service. Options were also weighed on how to address the 22 individuals (requesting a total of 28 water units) remaining on the 2023 Buy-Back List. The Board heard comments of **Guest Jeremy Hale**, currently at the top of the Buy-Back List. The Board made no decisions regarding future allocations. **Commissioner Zuckerman** made a motion to extend the 2023 Water Unit Buy-Back List expiration date to July 31st, 2024. **Commissioner Pfohman** seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved.

Old Business:

- Encroachment – Update It was agreed that the Camp Survey – having been filed with King County – will be used to identify the property line adjustment with the Yeells. It

was also agreed that the property value identified by King County tax assessments was acceptable to the commissioners.

- Labor Negotiations – Update/Information item – IUOE has returned the draft CBA with a few comments for board review.

Review of Vouchers/Warrants/Electronic Payments – Maintenance Fund Vouchers #27750 through #27780 totaling \$35,930.14. Capital Improvement Fund Voucher #12315 totaling \$1,343.60. Payroll Warrants #4257 through #4273 totaling \$39,717.98 and Payroll EFT Direct Deposits totaling \$13,245.00 dated 03/18/24 and 04/01/24. Electronic payments dated 03/19/24, 04/02/24 and 04/10/24 totaling \$9,564.65 and Department of Revenue payment for \$6,484.52. Commissioner Pfohman made a Motion to approve the vouchers as submitted and seconded by Commissioner Weller.

Schedule Next Meeting – Tuesday, May 14th, 2024

There being no further business to come before the Board, **Commissioner Zuckerman** made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:49 PM; **Commissioner Weller** seconded. Motion carried.