

SNO-KING WATER DISTRICT COALITION

Alderwood Water & Wastewater District

Monday, March 9, 2015

Regular Meeting

Attendees:

Steve Lindstrom

Tom Rainville, Jim Voetberg

Curt Brees, Chris Kuehn, Skip Schott

Ken Howe, Sandy Smith, Dale Knapiniski

Jeff Clarke

Lora Petso

Tom Harman

Sno-King Water Sewer District Coalition

Mukilteo Water and Wastewater District

Cross Valley Water District

Woodinville Water District

Alderwood Water and Wastewater District

Olympic View Water and Sewer District

Sammamish Plateau Water & Sewer District

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Kuehn at 10:00 a.m.

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

No additions or deletions to the agenda were proposed.

Review & Approve Minutes

A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of February 9, 2015 as written.

Financial Report Approval

Curt Brees provided a verbal Financial Report. He stated that the written report will be emailed to the members. Mr. Brees reported receiving a \$525.00 invoice the Water Policy Alliance. A motion was made, seconded and unanimously carried to pay the invoice.

Legislative Activity Report

Steve Lindstrom provided updates on the following legislative activities:

- **Senate Bill 5987** is related to transportation revenue. He provided an explanation of a 10 year summary breakdown of the funding by fiscal year.
- **Senate Bill 5628** would charge a per parcel real estate assessment and apply the proceeds to large competitive grant projects primarily for agricultural/irrigation and flood control—the bill contains a referendum clause, requiring voter approval.
- **Senate Bill 5624** would allow the State Treasurer to bundle loan requests for small/medium sized water-sewer service providers under the state's line of credit with Wall Street.
- **Senate Bill 5350** is a WASWD "housekeeping bill." It would tidy up the ability to dispose of small pieces of surplus property and allow medium-sized districts to become their own treasurer under certain conditions.
- **House Bill 1197** (Companion Bill to SB 5350) would make technical adjustments to the sale of small parcels of real estate owned by water-sewer districts and permit districts with annual budgets of \$250,000 to \$5,000,000 to become their own treasurers. This bill has been set aside by the House committee on Rules, so it is likely dead.
- **House Bill 1133** would authorize counties to impose a maximum rate of 6% tax on utilities providing service to consumers within the county, provide certain exemptions from the tax, and obligate

counties imposing a utility tax to provide a credit against utility taxes imposed by cities/towns. This bill has not moved since initial hearing and is most likely dead.

- **Substitute House Bill 1132** would addresses membership in state retirement plans prior to attaining the normal retirement age in another plan. Passed the House and awaits action in the Senate committee on Way and Means. Minimal fiscal impact.
- **House Bill 1684** concerns the charges for providing public records in response to public records requests.
- **House Bill 1410** would raise the limit on work done by a water-sewer district on its own before bidding the work from \$20,000 to \$90,000, amended so far to \$50,000.
- **House Bill 1417** (companion bill SB 5048) would allow a resolution or ordinance adopted by the legislative body of a city/town to assume a water-sewer district to be subject to a referendum.

Other Business

None

Next Meeting Location and Date

Monday, April 13, 2015 at Olympic View Water & Wastewater District

Adjourn

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.