

**Sallal Water Association
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Tuesday June 18th, 2019 Meeting**

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Sallal Water Association was called to order on Tuesday, June 18th, 2019 at 6:00 pm by President Eric O’Brien.

Board members present: Eric O’Brien, Daylin Baker, Harold Ellebracht, Sheldon Lynne, Gerry Prior

Board members absent: Michael Thomas

Consultants present: Richard Jonson, Attorney, Warren Perkins, Engineer and Ryan Hale, Engineer

Employees present: Ted Stonebridge, General Manager

Guests present: Mike McMann, Anne Herman, and Ann Reed, (arrived at 6:10 pm).

GUEST COMMENTS

Mike McMann – Mr. McMann discussed his list of questions sent to the Board. He also asked the Board for thoughts on providing foundational information to the members to allow them to support a contract with North Bend and requested a cost comparison of the two scenarios facing the association: continue to grow using City water vs. permanent moratorium.

Anne Herman - Ms. Herman asked if the Board still agrees to hold two membership meetings to discuss a water supply contract with North Bend. Mr. O’Brien stated he had committed to do so in order to present whatever contract provisions are negotiated. She also asked the Board to consider hiring another attorney to review possible condemnation by North Bend. Discussion followed and the Board members indicated they are willing to consider recommendations of attorneys with condemnation experience.

Jean Buckner – Ms. Buckner submitted two items to the Board. She requested statements made in the Board’s position paper to be retracted and asked if the Snoqualmie River has senior water rights over Sallal’s water right. Mr. Jonson replied - the instream flow is senior in time to Sallal’s water rights. Mr. O’Brien asked the GM to place Jean’s requested retraction in the Dropbox for the Board review and suggested that it be discussed at the next Board meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Board minutes of the May 21st, 2019 regular Board meeting and the consultant billing statements (amounts below) were presented.

Jonson & Jonson statement included----- \$7,689.50

Helsell Fetterman statement included ----- \$4,713.10

Gray & Osborne statement included-----\$14,763.98

MOTION NO 2019-30 Motion to approve the consent agenda by Sheldon Lynne and seconded by Daylin Baker. Passed unanimously.

REPORTS

Committee Report

Ms. Baker stated there was no Member Advisory Committee meeting in June. The next meeting is scheduled for July 9th, 2019.

Engineer Report

Well #4 Pumphouse: The GM called King County for update on the permit. He was told the permit was close to being approved.

New office/shop: King County approved the Conditional Use Permit. Onto the building permit, will be working with Lawhead Architects.

Rattlesnake tank: No update, have not heard anything from King County.

WSP: Mr. Perkins will give a power point presentation later in the meeting.

Attorney Report

Mr. Jonson stated UTRC referred the matter to the East King County Regional Water Assn (EKCRWA) to opine on the service area appeal. At the May 30th, 2019 EKRWA meeting, it was decided to send the dispute back the UTRC for a decision based on three conditions.

Mr. Jonson stated a proposal was received from McEwan's attorney and will discuss in executive session.

Mr. Jonson reported that oral argument for the King County Franchise Fee case will be September 17th, 2019 before the Washington State Supreme Court in Olympia.

General Manager Report

Mr. Stonebridge reported on the status of the Terrell tank: The ladder enclosure, power conduit and light pole are installed.

Mr. Stonebridge discussed water production/usage for March and stated the Coliform, IOC, VOC sampling at Well #4 were all satisfactory.

Mr. Stonebridge reported that a response draft supply contract was sent to North Bend last week. He will be working on arranging a meeting with Sallal and North Bend to discuss.

UNFNISHED BUSINESS

Mr. Jonson spoke about the recent revisions to the Emergency Interim Rule and recommended for staff to post clean and redlined versions on the website. Discussion deferred to executive session.

The Board requested to have the three candidates running for the vacant Board position to come to the July 16th, 2019 meeting to be interviewed.

NEW BUSINESS

Larkin Development. Mr. Stonebridge discussed Pat Larkin's request for a 3% consultant fee to sign release of waiver of water service. He stated that Mr. Larkin indicated sewer service is not presently available to the project and development permits are not being pursued. Mr. Stonebridge recommended that no fee be paid and to let the certificate of water availability expire.

Board Member Resignation. Mr. O'Brien announced that Michael Thomas resigned from the Board of Trustees and directed Mr. Stonebridge to post the Board vacancy on the website.

Domain name registration. Discussion followed.

Draft Water System Plan. Mr. Perkins conducted a power point presentation on the water system plan update and responded to questions.

ITEMS TO TRACK

No discussion

EXECUTIVE SESSION

An executive session was convened at 8:23 pm to discuss with counsel legal matters including pending legal proceedings, the Board code of ethics, McEwan proposal and the Emergency Interim Rule. The executive session was concluded at 8:59 pm and the regular session of the meeting resumed.

Discussion in open session followed regarding DOE's possible role as mediator in supply contract discussions, preparation of Association newsletters, rate study to analyze effects of a permanent moratorium, and mixing of water from Rattlesnake wells and Centennial Well.

MOTION TO AJOURN meeting at 9:44 pm by Gerry Prior, Seconded by Sheldon Lynne. Passed unanimously.

Submitted by:

Ted Stonebridge, GM