

# LEDGEWOOD BEACH WATER DISTRICT

## Monthly Minutes – July 11, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 2:04 p.m.

Commissioners present were Ralph Young, Don Pinter and Dale Hockstra. Andy Campbell represented Whidbey Water Systems. Mr. Doug Martin was present as a guest community member and candidate for Commissioner on the November 2017 ballot.

No meeting was held in June 2017 due to a lack of a quorum. Instead Commissioners approved the June vouchers at the Whidbey Water Systems office. June vouchers included:

Whidbey Water Services	\$718.33
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Puget Sound Energy	\$171.80
Camarena Landscaping	\$300.00
Department of Health	\$392.80

July vouchers were reviewed and signed as the first order of business.

Whidbey Water Services	\$894.34
Puget Sound Energy	\$213.24
Camarena Landscaping	\$300.00
Laut's Inc.	\$2065.30

The most recent financials reviewed:

1. Ralph Young moved to accept the financial report. Don Pinter seconded. The motion passed 3-0.

Whidbey Water Services report:

1. The operations report showed no abnormal water use. Coliform, Iron, and Manganese are all at non-detectable levels. Well #3 is operating well below capacity. The idea of installing an hour meter on the pump at well #3 to determine operating time in addition to quantity pumped was mentioned. It would cost approximately \$350 to add an hour meter. No decision was made at this time.

2. The handling of service line leaks was discussed. The idea of replacing the entire service line at the time of a leak was suggested. Andy Campbell pointed out that replacement requires boring and/or ditching, cement, road repairs and other activities that require advanced planning, so it is impractical to replace the line during the break when the key issue is stopping water loss and restoring service. It was noted that the Crockett Lake water district is developing a strategic plan for service line replacement. A survey of all of the service line connections in Ledgewood Beach to determine which are galvanized steel and which are plastic is possible. Don Pinter made a motion to have WWS conduct such a survey at an estimated cost of \$800 or less. Dale Hockstra seconded the motion. The motion passed 2-1.
3. During the demolition of the old powerhouse and old pipe from the pumphouse to the main on Pinecrest was discovered. It is necessary to replace the pipe with 2" black poly pipe (HDPE). Ralph Young made a motion to authorize WWS to proceed with the replacement as soon as possible. Don Pinter seconded the motion. The motion was approved 3-0.

General Business:

1. The minutes for May 9, 2017 were reviewed. Don Pinter made a motion to approve. Seconded by Ralph Young. Motion passed 3-0.
2. It was noted that the backflow survey will be going out with the July billing.
3. It was noted that the 2017 increase in the water base rate will start with the September billing. The base rate will increase to \$31.25 per month. This is part of a plan approved in 2015. There was consensus to proceed according to the plan.
4. We are waiting on Fox Tree Service to meet with us to begin to move forward on removing large trees in the easements that threaten water mains. All homeowners except for Finney have agreed. Ralph will continue to work with Finney on a solution.
5. A letter has been sent to Arthur Nowell regarding the Bonair intertie. There is initial agreement on the concept.
6. The paving over the leak repair at the south end of Fircrest will be completed.
7. Don Pinter is working on information regarding hookups that have been paid for but not activated and will send to Bev at WWS.
8. Dale Hockstra announced that the property assessments have been received from Island County and they show \$0 assessed value as exempt properties. He also announced receiving a notice of a 2.9% inflationary rate increase in our insurance from Enduris for the 2018 policy year.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.