

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF BIRCH BAY WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT,
HELD January 26, 2006

Commission President Patrick Alesse called the meeting to order at 4:35 PM. Other persons present included Commissioners Carl Reichhardt and Don Montfort, General Manager Roger M. Brown, Attorney Bob Carmichael, Engineering Services Manager Dan Eisses, Wastewater Manager Steve Hovde, Engineer Rodney Langer and Dustin Sellinger.

Agenda additions/changes: General Manager Roger Brown added NPDES permit modifications to follow item #6 on the agenda.

Public Input: none

Consent Agenda included: Minutes for the Regular meeting of January 12, 2006; January Payroll Draw Warrants #4769-4780 for \$11,850.00; Accounts Payable Warrants #34523-34546 paying Claims #34523-34546 for \$88,773.42 and Warrants #34547-34592 paying Claims #34547-34592 for \$279,977.70; Resolution #656. It was moved Montfort and seconded Reichhardt to approve the Consent Agenda. Passed unanimously.

Engineering Services Manager Dan Eisses reported on developer extensions & projects:

Horizons at Semiahmoo – Dan presented some of the options for providing adequate water service to this development. Besides a water booster pump station per the comprehensive plan, the most promising option would be to use water directly from Blaine's system that is from a higher-pressure zone. This would be an interim system until both Blaine's and the District's comprehensive plans could be looked at together. The Board agreed for staff to continue investigating this option.

Lincoln Green: Tract C – Dan recommended deleting Condition #2 (see CHS Engineers' letter of October 7, 2005) the 8" water main requirement for this development due to a change in the lot configuration. Commissioner Montfort moved to delete the requirement, with commissioner Reichhardt seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

Harborside LLC – Dan presented the developer extension application review and recommended conditions for this new project of 47 lots. Recommended conditions include a 14" water main upgrade of the 8" existing line on Blaine Rd and 15" and 8" sewer main to the Blaine Rd pump station, with a build through to the southwest corner for both water and sewer extensions. Carl moved to approve the application and conditions as recommended. Don seconded, and the motion passed unanimously

Pumpstation #3 Forcemain project – Dan noted that letters have gone out to both tribes. The Nooksack tribe has responded and set up a meeting, but the District has as yet not heard from the Lummi tribe. Dan raised an issue with a potential change order for the PS#3 electrical system that may be affected by the force main project. Staff will bring this change order back with the proposed cost from the contractor for Board review and action.

NPDES permit – Steve briefed the commissioners on some changes to our permit with the DOE. Some of the changes are related to additional testing for toxicity and effluent concentration.

Regarding water supply, Roger briefed the board on the status of a proposed inter-local agreement with the City of Blaine.

Dan discussed the situation on the **Birch Bay View Community Sewer Project**. Due to the high amount of rainfall, there has been no construction activity for the last 2 weeks. The Contractor is asking for an allowance for the rain slowing the project. Dan recommended stopping the calendar days until the weather is good enough for asphalt paving. The contractor could continue work and the expectation would be that he is ready to pave when the weather improves.

Roger briefed the commissioners on the 2006 O&M budget.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:36 PM.

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THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes for the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Birch Bay Water and Sewer District, Whatcom County, Washington, held **January 26, 2006**.

(minutes taken by Dustin Sellinger)

BOARD SECRETARY