Lake Whatcom Water and Sewer District Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners **November 9, 2016**

Acting Board President Todd Citron called the Regular Session to order at 6:30 p.m. Other District representatives present included Commissioners Bruce R. Ford and John Carter, General Manager Patrick Sorensen, District Engineer Bill Hunter, consulting engineer Melanie Mankamyer and legal counsel Robert Carmichael. Commissioners Weide and Casey were excused from the meeting. A list of interested participants is on file.

Public Comment

Sudden Valley customer Kingsley Morse spoke to the Board about electromagnetic waves relative to the District's electronic water meters.

Consent Agenda

Action Taken

Ford moved, Carter seconded, approval of:

- Accounts Payable Vouchers totaling \$633,991.78
- Payroll for Pay Period #22 (10/8/16 through 10/21/16) totaling \$41,911.46
- Payroll Benefits for Pay Period #22 totaling \$48,189.83
- Payroll for Pay Period #23 (10/22/16 through 11/4/16) totaling \$40,354.62
- Payroll Benefits for Pay Period #23 totaling \$39,843.54
- Minutes for the October 26, 2016 Meeting

Motion passed.

North Shore Water Quality Testing – Herrera Environmental Contract

Sorensen reported that after the consultant's presentation of the Sampling and Analysis Plan (SAP) at the October 26, 2016 meeting, the Board passed a motion endorsing the proposed water testing program but not formally authorizing the \$68,295.00 expenditure. Staff was requested to bring the proposal back to them after the City and County have been contacted about sharing in the costs.

Sorensen indicated that he had contacted both the City and the County and received positive responses but no funding commitments as of yet. The State Department of Ecology has also been contacted regarding grant funding opportunities. As mentioned previously this project was not included in the 2016 Budget. Therefore, staff is proposing to pay for the testing out of the Sewer/Storm Water Contingency Fund, which has adequate funds to cover the expense. Staff is seeking the Board's approval to enter into contract Amendment No. 1; Sampling and Analysis Plan with Herrera Environmental Consultants to begin the water testing program. Discussion followed.

Action Taken

Carter moved, Ford seconded, that the Board of Commissioners authorizes the District to enter into the proposed contract Amendment No. 1 with Herrera Environmental Consulting in an amount not to exceed \$68,295 and authorizes the General Manager to sign the amendment on behalf of the District. Motion passed.

Monthly Budget Analysis

The Board reviewed and briefly discussed the Monthly Budget Analysis for October.

Manager's Report

Sorensen reviewed the information included in the Manager's Report. Discussion followed.

With no further business, Citron adjourned the Regular Session at 7:30 p.m.

Recording Secretary, Bill Hunter

Date Minutes Approved

Todd Citron

Bruce R. Ford

John Carter