



1220 Lakeway Dr • Bellingham, WA 98229

REGULAR SESSION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Minutes

September 24, 2025

Board President Todd Citron called the Regular Session to order at 8:00 a.m.

Attendees:	Commissioner Todd Citron (v)	General Manager Justin Clary
	Commissioner John Carter	Finance Manager Jenny Signs
	Commissioner Bruce Ford	Engineering Manager Greg Nicoll
	Commissioner Jeff Knakal	Recording Secretary Rachael Hope
	Commissioner David Holland	

No public were in attendance. Attendees noted with a (v) attended the meeting virtually.

Consent Agenda

Action Taken

Holland moved, Ford seconded, approval of:

- Minutes for the 09.10.2025 Regular Board Meeting
- Payroll for Pay Period #19 (08.30.2025 through 09.12.2025) totaling \$54,960.89
- Benefits for Pay Period #19 totaling \$59,602.15
- Accounts Payable Vouchers totaling \$59,769.74

Motion passed.

General Manager's Report

Clary updated the Board on several topics, including continued development of the Lake Whatcom Management Program's invasive mussel response plan, ongoing work on the City of Bellingham's Climate Vulnerability Assessment, communications with Whatcom County Planning & Development Services on future coordination around development in the District, and coordination on a recent request for a public tour of the Sudden Valley Water Treatment Plant. Discussion followed.

Commissioner Knakal joined the meeting at 8:14 a.m.

Engineering Department Report

Nicoll highlighted priorities for the last seven days of the watershed ground disturbance window, progress toward anticipated completion of the Division 7 Reservoir Replacement & Flat Car Sewer Lift Station Reverse Flow projects over the next 5 weeks, and continued design work on the Geneva Reservoir Seismic Upgrades project. Discussion followed.

Finance Department Report

Signs' report focused on upcoming significant expenditures, revenue and expenditure comparisons for year to date, and District investments.

Operations & Maintenance Department Report

In Dahlstrom's absence, Clary touched on the crew's continued safety record, recent leak repairs and pressure reducing valve maintenance, and replacement of a District water line in the Geneva neighborhood.

Executive Session Per RCW 42.30.110(1)(g)

Citron recessed the Regular Session to Executive Session at 8:41 a.m. It was estimated that the Executive Session would take 5 minutes and end at 8:46 a.m. The purpose of the Executive Session was to review the performance of a public employee (General Manager performance evaluation). Citron recessed the Executive Session and reconvened the Regular Meeting at 8:46 a.m.

With no further business, Citron adjourned the regular session at 8:46 a.m.



Board President, Todd Citron

Attest:



Recording Secretary, Rachael Hope

Minutes approved by motion at ☒ Regular ☐ Special Board Meeting on Oct 8, 2025