Water District 19
Board of Commissioners Meeting
October 13th, 2026

Regular Meeting 6:00 PM

Commissioner Zuckerman called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:01 PM. Those also in attendance were **Commissioners Angela Marshall, Commissioner Robin Pfohman**, **General Manager John Martinak**, **Operations Lead Armin Wahanik** and **Office Administrator Heidi McWatters**. Guests included: Kim Goforth, Amy Drayer, Ignacio Ordonez, Mathew DuBore and Felix DuBore.

6:01 PM Call to order – **Commissioner Zuckerman**

Guest: Mapleline Apartments: Water Unit Transfer/water use projections/CWA - After review of water usage data and peaking factors for current multi-family housing, the District is willing to grant the Certificate of Water Availability (CWA) using eight water units for the proposed 30-unit housing development, based on the submitted water calculations and provided that the owners execute a binding agreement attached to the property to refrain from outdoor irrigation after development completion. The District will have its attorney draft this agreement. **Commissioner Pfohman** made a motion to approve the CWA as described, **Commissioner Marshall** seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Amy Drayer: Vashon Household – Ms. Drayer asked for clarification on obtaining water units for affordable housing projects and the timeline for the District to hold its next water unit allocation. The Board shared provisions included in the updated policy on water unit allocation. The discussion included factors to be considered in scheduling the next water unit allocation event, as well as the number of water units to be released: including the updated capacity analysis and number of water units needed to clear the existing Buyback list.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – Tuesday, September 22nd, 2026, Regular Meeting. **Commissioner Pfohman** made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, **Commissioner Marshall** seconded. The motion carried by a vote of 2-0, with **Commissioner Zuckerman** abstaining since he was present for only part of the meeting.

System Operations Report – Operations Lead Armin Wahanik – Information Item –

- The DOH Sanitary survey was conducted on 10/7/26. Issues raised during the inspection included the discharge of chlorine analyzer effluents into the recycle ponds, and the frequency and documentation of SCADA alarm testing. DOH will issue a written report that identifies action items and recommendations stemming from the inspection.
- Leak detection services were completed earlier this month. A report on the findings has not yet been received.

Financial Report – General Manager Martinak – Information Item – The combined fund balances through September were approximately $73k below this time last year. This was expected with the added debt service for the 216th Main Replacement Project ($181k/yr). A $40k discrepancy was discovered in funds transferred from the District's US Bank to the King County account. District staff is investigating why the transferred funds were not recorded by King County. **General Manager Martinak** proposed a $5/hour pay increase for Caitlin O'Brien to compensate for her expanded role and responsibilities. **Commissioner Pfohman** made a motion to approve the $5 per hour increase, **Commissioner Zuckerman** seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

New Business

- **Certificate of Water Availability for Mukai Barreling Plant Project** – Action Item – After review of the water use projections provided for the project, the board directed **General Manager Martinak** to obtain the basis for the usage numbers provided for identified tenants.

- **IUOE: Opening of Union Negotiations –** Information Item – The District has received formal notification of contract negotiations. The current CBA expires on 12/31/2026. Ryen Young has been identified as the negotiating agent for IUOE. The first meeting has not yet been scheduled.

- **WASWD Conference –** Information Item – **General Manager Martinak** reported on his attendance at the recent WASWD Conference and his commitment to become more involved in this organization to take advantage of the support it provides to Special Purpose Districts.

- **Water System Plan Update –** Information Item - Washington State Department of Health facilitated a pre-plan meeting on September 24th. Representatives from DOH, DOE, and King County shared expectations. Required additions to the existing plan include climate change resiliency, feasibility of implementing a reclaimed water system, and an updated capacity analysis with strategies consistent with King County's Growth Management Act.

Old Business

- **Buyback List/Water Unit Applications –** Information Item **–** To date, two completed applications have been received. One of the applications included the down payment for the requested water units.

- **216th Main Replacement Project–** Information Item – As per the directive from King County Roads, the damaged culvert on 216th has been replaced. Work has begun on closing out the project and filing a project completion report with DOH. Leak detection services identified a leak in a section of the newly installed main along Vashon Highway. The District will wait for the final report before taking action.

- **Field Staff Vacancy –** Information Item – Kyle Corroon has accepted an offer to fill the open position in field operations. His start date is scheduled for 11/02/2026. Kyle was hired as an operator in-training and will be provided with the mentorship and training required to obtain WDM, WTPO, and CCS certifications.

- **Soper Road Update –** Information Item **–** The project is currently in the permit review stage. A meeting with King County is being planned to expedite the process.

- **Labor Management Committee –** Information Item – No meetings will be held during contract negotiations.

Review of Vouchers/Warrants/Electronic Payments – **Maintenance Fund Vouchers 28617 to 28641 totaling $58,525.25. Capital Improvement Vouchers 12385 to 12386 totaling $40,855.55. Dept. of Revenue** payment totaling $11,460.33. **Dept. of Retirement** payment totaling $5,881.22. **Payroll Direct** deposits in the amounts of $19,158.84 and $17,564.14. **Payroll EFT** payments in the amounts of $7,258.38 and $6,613.94.
Commissioner Pfohman moved to approve the vouchers as amended. **Commissioner Marshall** seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Zuckerman announced that the Board would go into executive session at 7:55 PM as permitted by RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) to review the performance of a public employee. The Board exited executive session at 8:14 PM. No decisions were made during the executive session. **Commissioner Pfohman** made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:15 PM and **Commissioner Marshall seconded.** The motion carried unanimously.

Next Meeting: Scheduled for Tuesday, November 10th, 2026.