

## **Belfair Sewer Committee**

### Meeting Minutes

*August 8, 2013*

*Present:*

County Commissioner: Randy Neatherlin.  
Staff: John Cunningham, Brian Matthews,  
Members: Chair Jack Johnson, Vice Chair, Jennifer Hines, Secretary Judy Scott,  
Rob Drexler, Bob Harris, Matt Matayoshi, Greg Waggett Lee Swoboda  
Absent members. Ed Kruk, staff Tom Moore (on vacation)  
Guest: None

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#### **I. Announcements**

Meeting was called to order by Chairman Jack Johnson at 4PM Location at Port of Allyn building in Allyn WA.

Roll call was taken See above for information

Minutes were approved: Rob Drexler moved Jennifer Hines seconded. All approved

Agenda was adopted: Jennifer Hines, moved, Rob Drexler seconded. All approved

Jack asked about how long the committee would like the meetings to last 1 ½ hours or 2. They agreed to 4PM – 5:30PM

Next meeting: **August 29th, 2013 4:00 PM At the Port of Allyn Building**

#### **II. Discussion**

A brief discussion was held on the misinformation written in regard to the article written by Jane Roush Democratic party

E-mail accounts were discussed and exchanged. This is still being worked on to get information to one another so that we may get minutes and communications.

Jack said we need all operating costs from the county and he mentioned about the costs of private O & M as opposed to the county O & M. The county (Brian Matthews) submitted the draft costs of Belfair Waste Water Facilities 2013 & 2014 and a Required Monthly Rate Comparison without Phase II document. There was much discussion and education about the costs. John Cunningham and Brian Matthews were very helpful in answering all the questions.

Greg asked Jack about rough estimate of Private Company O&M costs.

Jack suggested a committee to work on O & M costs to see about privatization costs as opposed to county operation. Committee members will be Jack, Greg, Randy. Jack will set up a meeting with the committee on O & M costs with a contractor and WWW operators. Item of note is that the private contractor for O & M currently operates Kitsap County District 7 & some Tribal Plants. The name of the company and person is Correct Equipment, Bob Thurston. Rick Esvelt PE will be invited as well to look at operating cost savings. Rick's professional background is in waste water treatment and owns R S Esvelt Engineering.

Greg submitted a "request for information: Every committee member received the list also the county and many of the questions have been answered and we are still working on some of the answers.

Jennifer asked for information on ULID's. ULID's do not require a vote however, voters can repeal/petition for them to be removed. It was suggested to go to MRSC website for information. A committee may be set up next meeting.

Lee asked about getting the legal advice for the committee who do we go to? The Prosecutor is the one we would go to for legal advice.

### **III. Roundtable**

The question was asked where the grants came from: Answer: The state, the federal government, administered by the state. There were no USDA grants perhaps these should have been pursued as we as a rural community would have qualified. Brian mentioned there was a concern about our compliance with the GMA in regard to funding of the Belfair sewer system.

Next meeting items of discussion are:

Jennifer moved, Matt seconded Meeting adjourned at 5:30 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Judy Scott