



“Eastsound Water Users Association is a service-oriented association whose goal is to utilize all available resources to ensure that an adequate and consistent supply of safe, reliable, and palatable water is provided to its members”

**Eastsound Water Users Association
Regular Board Meeting
Orcas Island Fire Hall Public Meeting Room
December 17, 2024
6:00 PM**

The meeting was held in person at the Orcas Island Fire Department public meeting room.

Board Members Present: Teri Nigretto, Jim Nelson, Leith Templin, Vaughn Ploeger, Michael Cleveland on Zoom, Dan Burke General Manager on Zoom

President Teri Nigretto called the meeting to order at 6:00PM

Public Comments: None

Motion: Jim Nelson moves to approve November 15, 2024, Annual Members Meeting Minutes

Second: Leith Templin

Vote: Unanimously approved

Public Comments: Reopened after member arrived

A member asked that meetings be hosted online, frustrated with our website with not being able to access, documents, project information, and asked about when the budget for 2025 would be available.

Articles of Incorporation: They had been previously distributed to the board and the association attorney. Do we want to update or change them?

The attorney says that it is not necessary because of the precedence of bylaws overruling the specific detail of how much of the membership is needed to vote to change the rules of incorporation or bylaws. When the newly appointed board members take their seats in January 2025, we will review the Articles of Incorporation and discuss the possibility of amending them.

Appointments:

Motion: Jim Nelson made a motion to appoint Mike Speece to the remainder of the 2-year term to be effective January 1, 2025

Second: Leith Templin

Vote: Unanimously approved

Motion: Jim Nelson made a motion to appoint Chris Maddison for the remainder of the 1-year term, to be effective January 1, 2025

Second: Vaughn Ploeger

Vote: Unanimously approved

Governance Elections: The board discussed the officers' appointments and decided that we would wait until the January meeting when the full board will be present.

Motion: Leith Templin made a motion to postpone the election of officers until the January meeting when the new members are in place.

Second: Michael Cleveland

Vote: Unanimously approved

Motion: Leith Templin made a motion to acknowledge the draw on the Co-Bank loan for \$251,000 for the Montgomery project, it was unanimously executed by written consent via email. Attached

Second: Jim Nelson

Vote: Unanimously approved

GM Report: Dan delivered his report by zoom. During his report Jim Nelson brought to our attention that David Woolsley, the property owner of Double Hill, where our new Hilltop water tank is located contacted him about the possibility of a road maintenance agreement between the 10 property owners, which we are one. At this time the board feels we would be open to seeing what they are proposing and what our participation might be. They have considerable work to do in contacting all property owners and Island Excavators to be able to create a proposal. It will most likely be several months before we see their proposed agreement.

Membership Requests:

#1

McCormick

New membership for existing parcel and SFR

#2

Parker

New membership for existing parcel and SFR

Motion: Leith Templin made a motion to approve the new membership requests for McCormick's and Parkers

Second: Vaughn Ploeger

Vote: Unanimously approved

Leith Templin requested that we review and approve the October 15th meeting minutes for proper documentation. She read the Regular Board Minutes of October 15, 2024, to the board.

Motion: Jim Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of October 15th, 2024

Second: Michael Cleveland

Vote: Unanimously approved

Michael Cleavland asked that he be referred to as Michael and our new board member Mr Speece be referred to as Mike. Everyone agreed

Next meeting will be January 21st, 2025, at OIFR Hall, PM 5:30 PM

Meeting is adjourned at 7:17 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Leith Templin Secretary/Treasurer