

**Willamette Intake Facilities Commission
Board Meeting Minutes
October 24, 2022**

Attendance:

Commissioners present:

City of Beaverton:	Laura Mitchell
City of Hillsboro:	John Godsey
City of Sherwood:	<i>Not available</i>
City of Tigard:	John Goodhouse
City of Wilsonville:	Kristin Akervall
Tualatin Valley Water District (TVWD):	<i>Not available</i>

Committee members present:

City of Beaverton:	<i>Not available</i>
City of Hillsboro:	Niki Iverson
City of Sherwood:	Craig Sheldon
City of Tigard:	Brian Rager
City of Wilsonville:	Delora Kerber
TVWD:	<i>Not available</i>

Managing Agency staff present:

WIF Commission General Manager / Willamette Water Supply Program (WWSP) Director:	Dave Kraska
TVWD General Counsel:	<i>Not available</i>
WWSP Assistant Director:	Joelle Bennett
WWSP Permitting and Outreach Manager:	Christina Walter
WWSP Finance Manager:	<i>Not available</i>
TVWD Water Resources Division Manager:	Joel Cary
WIF Commission Recorder / WWSP Executive Assistant:	Annette Rehms

REGULAR SESSION – 6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Goodhouse called the Willamette Intake Facilities (WIF) Commission meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Ms. Rehms administered the roll call and noted a quorum was present.

1. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Kraska presented a safety minute on keeping electronic device software updated. *(presentation on file)*

The General Manager’s report included a WIF Commission progress review; WIF easement updates; quarterly financial reports for the periods ending June 30, 2022, and September 30, 2022; and an update on future hybrid meetings.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approve the April 25, 2022 meeting minutes

Motion was made by Godsey and seconded by Mitchell to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously with Mitchell, Godsey, Goodhouse, and Akervall voting in favor.

4. BUSINESS AGENDA

A. None

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Watershed Protection, Monitoring, and Outreach Plan

Ms. Walter provided an overview of the project outline for the development of WIF Commission's Watershed Protection, Monitoring, and Outreach Plan. She reported that the Phase 1 Willamette River Watershed history and characterization, watershed data and risk analysis, and stakeholder identification and mapping scope of work has been completed. The Phase 2 scope of work is underway and will include:

- Partner agency interviews to secure input on high priority issues and preferred outreach strategies
- Conducting 30-minute virtual interviews with each Commissioner to assess priorities and views on safe drinking water in their communities, identify/prioritize stakeholder lists
- Hosting five 1-hour workshops to educate and engage stakeholders on opportunities for cooperating/collaborating with the WIF to protect this critical water source
- Additional local and regional stakeholder outreach
- Performing a comprehensive review of funding opportunities to support the watershed protection plan efforts
- Identifying monitoring technologies and watershed-based software to help partners develop early warning systems for key risks identified in Phase 1

Ms. Walter will provide another progress update at the next WIF Board meeting.

B. Legislative Update

Mr. Cary reported on current legislative activities that are relevant to WIF operations: *(presentation on file)*

- 2023 Oregon Legislature's long session begins in January 2023.
- Oregon Water Data Portal (OWDP) Project – A statewide water data gathering and database effort to better understand the state's water resources and inform water infrastructure decisions. Oregon Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) will lead a multi-agency effort for initial scoping and design of the portal.

- PFAS sampling – The fifth Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (UCMR 5) is requiring public water systems serving greater than 10,000 people to collect drinking water samples between 2023-2025, testing for 29 per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) and lithium. TVWD, Wilsonville, Hillsboro, and Beaverton tested for PFAS from 2013-2015 in compliance with UCMR 3. No detectable levels of PFAS were found.
- Willamette Basin Reallocation – No direct legislation is currently being discussed or developed related to state level implementation of the Willamette Basin Reallocation, although the effort continues to be a key project for water providers
 - Water agency representatives met with the Oregon Water Resources Department (OWRD) Willamette Basin Coordinator in September to discuss the draft Situation Assessment and Workplan for the Willamette River Basin.
 - Major milestone was met for municipal and industrial use of stored water: OWRD has issued a certificate for 437 acre-feet of stored water for municipal and industrial (M&I) use in Cottage Grove and Dorena Reservoirs as a result of Eugene Water and Electric Board’s (EWEB) long-term water supply planning efforts. As result of this action, the Army Corps of Engineers has taken first steps to develop a final stored-water contract for EWEB. This process will likely take some time as reviews and approvals make their way through the Corps’ chain of command. Once approved this action will serve as the standard template for future stored-water contracts in the basin.

C. The next Board meeting is scheduled on January 23, 2023, via Microsoft Teams

6. COMMUNICATIONS AND NON-AGENDA ITEMS

A. None scheduled.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further questions or business, Chair Goodhouse adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m.

John Goodhouse, Chair

Kristin Akervall, Vice Chair