

# **Whidbey Island Water Systems Association**

## **General Membership Meeting Minutes**

**December 10, 2020**

### **I. Call to Order**

John Lovie called to order the regular meeting of the Whidbey Island Water System Association General Membership Meeting at 5:00 pm on December 10, 2020 online via zoom.

### **II. Quorum Call**

Confirmation of a quorum was made.

### **III. Special Announcements**

Lovie introduced the Board of Directors, and new 2020 members.

Perry, on behalf of WIWSA presented Jim Patton with an award of appreciation for his dedicated service.

### **IV. Approval of Agenda**

Lovie presented the Agenda. Zoom poll launched, agenda approved.

### **V. Approval of Minutes**

Perry presented minutes for September 17, 2020 General Membership meeting. Zoom poll launched, minutes approved.

### **VI. Treasurer's Report**

- a) Hart presented the Treasurer's Report. Bank account balance is \$19,941.58, We've received \$5961.00 in dues. Year to date expenses \$3452.79. Zoom poll launched, Treasurer's Report approved.
- b) Hart presented an update on the apprenticeship/scholarship program. WIWSA hasn't received applications for previous program attempts. Evergreen Rural Water of Washington now offers an apprenticeship training program for water distribution managers, water treatment plant operators and wastewater treatment plant operators. WIWSA proposes sponsoring a student for 2021 the tuition cost is \$3034.
- c) Hart presented the 2021 budget. Membership dues projected to remain the same \$6000.00. There were no major changes from 2020 to 2021. The scholarships have been rolled into the apprenticeship. It was pointed out that the expenses exceed the revenue. As a non-profit our reserves exceed the need.

### **VII. Election of Directors**

Perry- There are two seats for election. Patton is retiring from the board to focus on his West Beach Road Association. Lovie has volunteered to serve for another 3-year term. Perry introduced Culley Lehman of Cascadia Water. Cully has volunteered to serve. Lovie and Lehman gave a brief narrative of their interest in serving the board and an overview of their water system experience. A Zoom poll was launched to approve Lovie to the Board of Directors for another 3-year term. Vote was unanimously approved. A Zoom poll was launched to approve Lehman to the Board of Directors for a 3-year term. Vote was unanimously approved.

### **VIII. Meeting Program**

**Review of 2020.** Lovie gave an overview of the Associations bylaws, to provide informational focal point, to keep membership informed, provide training, provide an action forum. This year the board switched to a zoom format due to COVID and added a newsletter. We held a PFAS special meeting on rulemaking, facilitated an Asset Management workshop. Two large water systems had E. coli positive, and recently board members attended meetings regarding Island County planning change recommendations to allow an additional ADU in rural residential zones.

**Preview of 2021.** March Quarterly will cover Coliform, how to respond in the event of a positive, lessons learned from recent events. Representatives from the State will be in attendance. June topic is water system organization, the pro's and cons of HOA, investor owned, water districts PUDs and understanding the alternatives.

**Floor was open to discussion/questions.**

**Adjournment** John Lovie adjourned the meeting at 6:22 pm

Minutes submitted by: Randi Perry