METROPOLITAN WATER POLLUTION ABATEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Meeting Summary

Kent Commons – Olympic Room
Wednesday, June 22, 2016
Start 10:00 a.m.
Meeting adjourned 11:30 a.m.

1. MWPAAC Chair’s Report – Dave Christensen
   a. Welcome and Introductions
   b. Determine Quorum
   c. Report-back from Regional Water Quality Committee May Meeting
   d. Approval of May Meeting Summary (action item)

All in attendance introduced themselves. A quorum was not in attendance. The May meeting summary will be approved at the next At Large meeting.

2. Wastewater Treatment Division Director’s Report – Sandra Kilroy, Chief Officer of Strategy, Sustainability and Performance, Wastewater Treatment Division (WTD)

Sandy thanked MWPAAC for their participation in the sewer rate proposal. It was successfully approved by the Metropolitan King County Council on June 20, 2016.

Legislative Activity at King County Council

Sewer Rate
- As Dave Christensen noted in his MWPAAC Chair’s Report, the Executive’s proposed sewer rate for 2017-18 received final Council approval on Monday, June 20.
- We want to extend our sincere appreciation to the Debt Review Team members and recognize again the collaborative effort between MWPAAC and our Finance staff to develop the proposed rate.
- We also want to recognize those MWPAAC members who attended King County Council meetings to offer public comment on the rate package.

Joint Ship Canal Water Quality Project
- On Tuesday, the Council’s Transportation, Economy and Environment Committee recommended approval of the legislation authorizing WTD’s participation in the Joint Ship Canal Water Quality Project with Seattle.
- Final approval of the Joint Project Agreement by the King County Council is expected on July 5.
- Seattle and WTD staff continues to work closely as we implement CSO projects to achieve compliance with our respective consent decrees.
- Seattle is the lead for the Ship Canal project and this project is in the design phase.
- The Ship Canal project will provide storage to manage combined sewer overflows (CSOs) from two King County CSO outfalls and five City of Seattle CSO outfalls.

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Overflow at Heathfield Pump Station

- King County crews responded to an overflow on June 13 at the Heathfield Pump Station in Bellevue.
- The incident was precipitated by an area-wide power bump that occurred at 5:25 a.m. The power bump caused both the Heathfield and Sunset Pump Stations to shut down.
- The on-site generators did not start at either station because of the short nature of the power bump.
- As much as 3,200 gallons of raw sewage overflowed into Lake Sammamish. However, most of the overflow’s impact was limited to the area around 163rd Ave SE in Bellevue where the Heathfield Pump Station is located.
- The pump station was manually restarted and the station has been operating normally since then.
- WTD crews responded promptly.
- King County’s Environmental Labs tested water quality and the County notified health and regulatory agencies about the overflow.
- A project is underway to upgrade the Heathfield and Sunset Pump Stations and the force main that runs between them.
- Preliminary design was completed in February 2015. The team will complete final design by the end of 2016. Construction is expected to begin in 2017 and end in 2020.
- As part of the project, the both the Sunset and Heathfield Pump Stations will each get new electrical and control systems and a new standby generator.

Upcoming Items for WTD

Sandy provided the following information on upcoming items:

- The Technical Working Group (Planning Level Cost Estimating budget proviso) has continued its work and again last week. This group is tasked with developing recommendations by the end of 2016 to improve how WTD does planning level cost estimating and also how we communicate that information to decision makers. MWPAAC has two representatives on the Technical Working Group who will be reporting back to the Engineering and Planning Subcommittee in August.

- WTD is also doing some internal strategic planning around on how we implement some of our sustainability efforts. We are working on scope with a consultant for this and will be sharing more soon.

- And, in August, WTD staff will be presenting an overview of our work as a division to meet the goals of the County’s Strategic Climate Action Plan.

3. Discussion on the Questions That Came Out of the Lean Briefing on March 23 — Sandra Kilroy, Chief Officer of Strategy, Sustainability and Performance and Kathy Loland, Project Planning Delivery Section Manager, WTD

- What is important to MWPAAC in the capital delivery process?

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• What additional information would MWPAAC want on this effort?

Sandy Kilroy and Kathy Loland reviewed WTD’s Capital Delivery Streamlining process to include:
  • Desired Outcomes
  • Creating a Culture of Lean
  • Process Improvement Events
  • What’s Next

The discussion was then opened up for questions.

4. **Presentation/Discussion on MWPAAC Website** – Marla Rivas Oughton, Assistant to the Division Director, WTD

Marla Oughton reviewed the layout of the MWPAAC website and how to access the updated meeting information. The website is a work in progress with additional updates to be coming soon to the agency representatives section. MWPAAC members asked if meeting information could be added as well. Marla will have that added to the website prior to the next MWPAAC meeting.

Marla also proposed a new format for meeting material distribution. She suggested we follow the format that RWQC uses and that an agenda packet in Adobe be sent out versus individual documents attached to an email. Information on the website would also be posted in the same way with the exception of PowerPoint presentation materials. Those would be posted separately under the meeting date. MWPAAC members agreed to the new format.

5. **Subcommittee Reports**

**Engineering & Planning:**
*(6/02/16 subcommittee meeting)*
  • I/I Scope of Work Discussion
  • Report back on Onsite Septic System Work Group

**Rates & Finance:**
  • There was no meeting in June

**Sewerage Disposal Agreements:**
  • Status of Regional Negotiations and Guiding Principles Update

6. **General Announcements**

None.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 a.m.

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