

Highline Water District Special Board Meeting Minutes Legislative Reception October 15, 2018

ATTENDEES		
HIGHLINE WATER DISTRICT	MIDWAY SEWER DISTRICT	33RD LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS
Commissioner Johnson	Commissioner Koester	Senator Karen Keiser
Commissioner Fultz	Commissioners Sanborn	House Representative Mia Gregerson
Commissioner Quong-Vermeire	Commissioner Hendrickson	House Representative Tina Orwall
Matt Everett, General Manager	Ken Kase, General Manager	WASWD
Logan Wallace, Sr. Project Engineer	Cordelia Ford	Joe Daniels, Consultant

The legislative reception scheduled to begin at 11:00 AM actually began at 11:22 AM.

There was no agenda, however the intention of the legislative reception was to introduce the two utility Districts to the 33rd Legislative District representatives, explain who we are, what we do, who we serve, and some of the issues we are dealing with.

Mr. Everett gave a power point presentation on an overview of Highline Water District. Matt ended his presentation with a slide that identified four legislative priorities of the Highline Water District: (1) Preservation of the Public Works Trust Fund; (2) Prohibit cities and counties from taxing water & sewer districts; (3) Reduce the cost of filing and releasing liens on delinquent customers; and (4) Funding educational opportunities to train future water and sewer job applicants.

Mr. Kase gave a power point presentation on an overview of Midway Sewer District. Ken ended his presentation with a slide that identified three legislative priorities of Midway Sewer District: (1) Preservation of the Public Works Trust Fund; (2) Prohibit cities and counties from taxing water & sewer districts; and (3) Reduce the cost of filing and releasing liens on delinquent customers.

33RD LEGISLATIVE MEMBERS COMMENTS:

Senator Keiser made some suggestions on how best to pursue enhanced education opportunities for the future utility workers. She said it is best to contact the educational institutions as they make the decisions on what types of education to offer.

Representative Orwall asked if the Water District was offering water sample analysis to detect lead in the drinking water. Matt explained the District takes water samples as directed by the Department of Health and all samples meet or exceed State requirements.

Representative Gregerson suggested increasing participation in the formation of new regulations so the concerns of the Districts are heard and understood.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

The districts' Commissioners had good discussions with the legislators regarding the legislative priorities and other items.



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There being no further business of the District, the special meeting adjourned at 12:16 p.m.

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