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Board of Directors

Position 1 - Joe Spendolini

Board Chairman

Position 2 - Kenneth DeCrans

Position 3 - Michael Koger

District Manager/Secretary

Brett Blofsky

Regular Board Meeting Minutes
September 15, 2026 @ 10:00am
South Suburban Sanitary District Office

Meeting called to order at 10:00am

Roll Call of Directors - Chairman Joe Spendolini, Director Kenny DeCrans and Director Michael Koger present. Also present: Brett Blofsky (SSSD District Manager), Nicki Strain (SSSD Finance Director), Jason Morrow (SSSD Collections Supervisor), Sally Bratton (SSSD Treatment Plant Supervisor), Jon Lee (SSSD Treatment Plant Operator), Justin Hawkins (SSSD Treatment Plant Operator) and Dan Scalas (Adkins Engineering). Steve Worley with Jacobs Engineering and Marty Miller with Slayden attended virtually.

Review of Today's Agenda, Board Meeting Minutes from August 18, 2026 & August 2026 Monthly Financials - **Motion by Director DeCrans to approve Today's Agenda, Board Meeting Minutes from August 18, 2026 & August 2026 Monthly Financials as presented. Seconded by Director Koger. Motion passed unanimously.**

Public Input/Comments - No one from the public was present.

Engineer Report

100% Design/Cross Cutters/Permits Update - Jacobs Engineering

Steve stated that the 100% design reports have been submitted to DEQ for approval and are currently under review.

Steve then reported that the Army Corp of Engineers has confirmed jurisdiction over the ditches as discussed in the August Board meeting. The cross cutters will now have to split into two phases. Discussion followed regarding the impact of this on the project timeline.

Brett gave an update on the permits needed from the County for the facility upgrade project. He has contacted the County on the phone and in person. Chairman Spendolini would like Dan and Brett to draft a letter to the County indicating the urgency of getting the permits approved.

EWA2 & GMP Updates - Slayden Constructors

Marty discussed the project timeline. He estimates that Slayden will break ground on the facility upgrade project in January 2027 due to various delays.

District Updates - Adkins Engineering

Dan gave his report. He has been working on the plan review exemption for the Collection system. There is also a CIPP draft that he is working on with Collections. Discussion followed regarding Collections and Treatment Plant capacity with the new home construction going on within the District boundaries.

Department Updates

Administration - The LGIP accounts earned \$130,390.48 in interest during the month of August. The interest rate remains at 4.00%.

Treatment - Sally gave her report for August. She discussed the current BOD numbers. She feels that things have started to improve with the temperature decrease and the addition of a second ultrasonic buoy in both Pond 3 and Pond 4. Discussion followed regarding the algae issues in the lagoons.

Collections - Jason gave his report for August. Klamath County Public Works finished their project on Homedale and Shasta Way. Our new manholes with the District logo have been installed.

He then reported on the issue with roots growing into the lines on Climax Avenue and how those issues were remedied.

Israel Chandler passed his Collections Grade 1.

District Manager - Nothing additional to report other than what is on the agenda.

Items before the Board of Directors - Old & New Business

Discuss irrigating District land to the North and South of the ponds

Brett discussed the feasibility study meeting that took place with The Ferguson Group (TFG) last week. This option was discussed and what crops could potentially be grown. It was generally agreed that this is an idea that should be explored.

Newly acquired Maywood properties - fencing opportunity with The Nature Conservancy property to the North - Brett referenced the estimate from Bully Fence and explained what area of District property would be enclosed.

Motion by Chairman Spendolini to approve the estimate from Bully Fence in the amount of \$24,204.95 to install chain link fence on the North end of the District property bordered by The Nature Conservancy. Seconded by Director Koger. Motion passed unanimously.

WaterSMART Title XVI Feasibility Study Kickoff meeting completed – Brett reported on the meeting that took place on September 10, 2026 with TFG.

Potential energy savings opportunities with Ameresco - more solar, battery storage, power generation from effluent flow - Brett met with a representative from Ameresco to discuss opportunities for energy savings for the District. He is in the process of gathering more information and will present his findings at a future Board meeting.

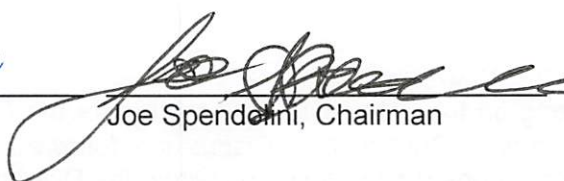
Oregon Infrastructure Summit September 16th - Joe and Brett will be attending this event in Salem.

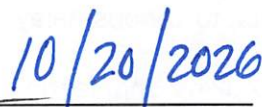
Next meeting scheduled for October 20, 2026 at 10:00am.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00am

ATTEST:


Brett Blofsky, Secretary


Joe Spendolini, Chairman


Date