

**North Santiam Sewer Authority**  
**North Santiam Joint Sewer Project Meeting #49**  
**January 7, 2021**  
**at 6pm**  
**Held by Zoom Conference Call (Due to COVID-19)**

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**A. Roll Call, Declarations of Conflict of Interests, Announcements**

**Ken Woodward, Chair; Dannielle Gonzalez, MC; Heath Cokely, OAWU; Johnathon Honeywell; Shelley Engle, Detroit; Tim Kirsch, Co Chair, Mill City,; McRae Carmichael. MWVCOG; Janet Zeyen-Hall, Secretary, Mill City, Dale Weise, Gates; Joel Parks, Gates; Jeff Smith, Idanha; Jeff Yohe, Idanha**

**Danielle –**

- **Zipley fiber has finished the build out. buildout. Shelley had issues and Danielle will take it back to Zipley.**
- **County working on getting funding for a recovery manager to assist the communities affected by the wildfire.**
- **County working with people with Septic issue, possible repairs.**
- **Work is starting for Marion County Budget Year July 1, 2021. Need estimate for the next 18 months for NSSA. Help Identify budget items – Joel. Operation and design and engineer after. Peter will work with Danielle on estimates.**

**B. Public Comment and Questions (please limit Public Comment to 3 minutes each)**

**None**

**C. Action: Approval of Meeting Summary Notes from December 3, 2020**

**D. Financial and budget report– Trust Account (?)**

**Joel – sent an email with balances. #25, 000. 24500.05 / zero balance 499.95**

**October 5 – Check from mill city came from where did it come from**

**Shelley - please put the report into a word document for posting to the website.**

**E. Verbal reports from cities pertaining to NSSA –**

**Detroit – Ken –**

Some people are going to rebuild, just don't know when. They are waiting for information on the sewer. My own thoughts – Detroit marina wanted to put a restaurant, but couldn't because of the septic issues. If you are going to make an investment like that would you use your same footprint. How can we reassure them that this project is moving forward so that those rebuilding and expanding will feel comfortable moving forward it is going to happen for they are comfortable moving forward? Trailers dumping waste into the septic tanks now which is not right. If you don't get the people back and rebuilding how is Detroit going to pay the bills.

**Shelly –**

Greg from ECO Development wants people to ask what they imagine what Detroit needs and to consider what the future of the area should look like.

Eco Development and FEMA are meeting Danielle, she will talk to Greg.

- FEMA is only allowed to cover things that existed previously. They are helping people if they have applied and have been approved get septic covered. Second homes not counted, no help for business. Clean up for business. Water safety.

**Gates – Dale –**

Not hearing much about sewer project itself. FEMA helping with sewer tanks, IF damaged by fire. Those older tanks not damaged will not be covered. Older tanks very deep. Danielle will be follow-up with the state. Help people financial for the shift.

The city is struggling financially. People are removing water meters so they don't have to pay the base fees. Gates is dependent with water bills. In addition, there is no revenues from the pot shop either.

Danielle and Ken will meet with the new Mayor of Gates about the sewer and about recovery will work with MCEM.

Tracy working to get reports done to FEMA.

The county is adding some people to the workforce for **sanitarium** duties.

**Mill City – Tim –**

FEMA is working on putting FEMA homes in Mill City, they are installing the septic holding tanks. Hoping to start moving people in the end of this month.

Waiting for the report from Keller. To see what we will be doing with our system.

Hoping to hook up to Gates for mutual benefits for both towns.

**Idanha – Jeff –**

Not hearing anything pertaining to sewer. The concerns are about businesses with the town folks going 50 miles to get any services. The country store is waiting on insurance to clean up. They are hoping to open back up by the spring.

### Old Business

F. Action: Treasurer Report-review and pay bills (if any)

Done

G. NSSA Manager – Qualification and Duties

Hold off.

H. Discussion: Engineering and Design of Wastewater Master Plan Update

1. Timeline – Infiltration tests completed
2. Working to get Keller access to the website so that they can start updating the website. Hoping to energize the website. Shelly as the webmaster would like to review items before they are posted.
3. 4/8/2021 Keller will have the master plan completed.
4. Planning a town hall in February 2021. More information coning.  
We need to have information to the communities about life decisions they are making and we need to be accurate.

Peter-

There has been a lot of changes in the community flows. Mostly due to repairs that were completed recently. Some data was lost in the fires so the winter flows for Mill City is being used as a base for the communities.

City of Salem worried about overflows so we need to make sure we have enough flex room to reassure them that we have that covered. The concerns are below Detroit dam. Not enough control over the flows and how to mitigate any sewer overflows. They were going to be more flexible above the dam.

5. Technical Advisory Review – Ken and Dale are the committee representatives

I. Discussion: Website updates and board email addresses

Danielle – question. How do we want to do the emails?

As easiest as possible

Discussion: Review board rules and mission statement

**Joel – going to copy from what other boards.**

**Mission statement –**

**Simple and to the point.**

**J. Ethics Training for Public Officials- Santiam Edition**

-Jan 4, 2021 06:00 PM - great training.

-Jan 11, 2021 06:00 PM

If not able to attend. Will find out another training for you to attend.

**\*\* NSSA directors statement of economic interest mid April. \*\***

**New Business**

**K. Next meetings topics**

**Mission Statement and Board Rles**

**Town Hall and strong communication plan**

**Email address**

**Manager Quals – March**

**Tech Committee update**

**Budget -**

**L. Adjourn - 8:03pm**

**Motion by - Jeff Yohe Second by - Joel Parks**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Where</b>
<b>February 4, 2021</b> <b>6-8 pm</b>	North Santiam Sewer Authority Meeting	Via Zoom
<b>March 4, 2021</b> <b>6-8 pm</b>	North Santiam Sewer Authority Meeting	In person or Via Zoom
<b>April 1, 2021</b> <b>6-8 pm</b>	North Santiam Sewer Authority Meeting	In person or Via Zoom

By the numbers:

49 Sewer Meetings

16 Newspaper articles

2 Radio Interviews and a 7x rebroadcasted Public Town Hall

8 Statewide Public Presentations

11 City Council Meeting Presentations

4 Legislator Meetings

20 Agency Official Meetings

1 Website live since January 2018

1749 Hits to the website

1200+ Volunteer Hours

County allocated funds to date: \$528,894 (not including staffing)

Business Oregon funds to date: \$119,370