

UNION HILL WATER ASSOCIATION, INC.
5020 236th Ave. NE
REDMOND, WASHINGTON 98053

Annual Meeting – via Zoom

February 12, 2025

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by President Al Spencer. Board members Colby Caywood, Jim Kleppe, Steve Sergev and Rick Hardesty were present. General Manager Teresa Fowlkes was also present. Association members attending are listed below.

Minutes of the 2024 Annual Meeting

The minutes were reviewed and accepted as presented.

Treasurers Report

Reviewed the audited financial statements. This year’s audit found no inconsistencies. Copies of the audited financial statements are available upon request. Email teresa@uhwa.org.

Association’s Annual Report – Teresa Fowlkes presented the Annual Report. (See attached).

Introduction of Candidates

Position #3 – Steve Sergev

2025 Revision of Association Bylaws – Discussion. Rick Hardesty made a motion to accept the revised bylaws as presented. Wayne Berthold seconded. Bill Downing and Debra Simmonds abstained. Approved

Open Discussion – Discussed making more information available to members on the Association website. Members in attendance requested more financial information at the annual meeting. The Board of Trustees will discuss these requested changes over the next few monthly meetings.

Election Results

Ballot received by post or at the office door on or before 2/12/2025 were counted. 19 total members voted in this election. As there was no opposition for Positions #3, Steve Sergev was re-elected.

Meeting was adjourned at 6:43 pm

Secretary/Treasurer

Date _____

Association Members attending:

- Wayne Berthold
- Bill Downing
- Debra Simmonds

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Water Quality:

The Association continues to provide exceptional quality water to its customers without adding any additional chemicals or treatment to its water source. The water quality is monitored as required by the State DOH.

Water Production/Usage:

The Association’s annual water production has decreased since 2009 and the total production trend has been stable since then. The highest production months during this 16-year period were during the months of July and August. The maximum recorded month was July 2009 when 42,662,000 gallons were pumped. This equates to an average of 1,376,000 gallons/day or 956 gallons/minute. Total water production in 2024 was 182,079,000 gallons. Aquifer levels have remained stable.

<u>Year-End</u>	<u>Gallons Produced</u>
2009	248,494,635
2010	206,229,000
2011	198,677,020
2012	203,449,800
2013	197,103,400
2014	208,082,000
2015	226,501,000
2016	205,756,780
2017	230,029,193
2018	209,972,000
2019	194,671,000
2020	183,000,000
2021	205,251,480
2022	199,079,480
2023	202,073,000
2024	182,079,000
Average	206,278,049

King County Franchise Ordinance 18403:

On November 7, 2016, the King County Council passed Ordinance 18403, by a vote of 7 to 2, creating a new Section 6.27.080 of King County Code. This new code section requires franchise utilities (electric, gas, water and sewer) to pay a fee to the County in return for the right to use County rights-of-way. Over the following year or so, King County Facilities Management Division developed administrative rules and began to implement the ordinance.

The rule adopted by the Facilities Management Division indicates that rent begins to accrue as of January 29, 2018, and will be assessed according to a new or amended franchise. UHWA’s franchise expired in 2023. Now that King County has prevailed in the litigation, UHWA may be forced to pay rent backdated to January 29, 2018, along with rent amounts going forward. UHWA is currently negotiating a renewal to the franchise agreement. According to the ruling the cost of providing fire protection facilities may be deducted from the rent. The allowed costs are part of the negotiation for the franchise renewal.

Construction/Monitoring/Reports:

2024 Completed Projects:

- Continued Radio Read installation program.
- Continued Fire Hydrant Replacement Program
- Continued improving emergency preparedness.
- The Association is now self-performing tapping new services.
- Upgraded last sample stands used for water quality testing.

2025 Anticipated Projects:

- Complete Radio Read installation program.
- Seismic Resiliency Improvements
- Complete 2nd phase of pressure zone 440 to 275 connection.
- Establish flushing program
- Moving water main for King County culvert project on 238th Ave NE and NE 70th