

STEVENS PASS SEWER DISTRICT
Monthly Meeting Minutes
July 16, 2026 at 10:00AM
34000 N Nason Rd, Leavenworth, WA
Conference Call Phone Number: (978) 990 5073
Meeting ID: 334 557 8#

Minutes

Present: Casey Cass, Jeff Andreas, Tom Maher, Scott O'Brien, Jon Popovich

Present Telephonically: Stephanie Ogden, Denise Darling

Meeting Called to Order at 10:03 AM

Public Comment Period:

1. There were no written or verbal comments

Consent Agenda:

1. Approved minutes from June 18, 2026 regular meeting.
2. Approved previously submitted vouchers:
 - Vouchers 9723 to 9725 \$23,566.38
 - Vouchers 9726 to 9728 \$26,197.01
 - Vouchers 9729 to 9732 \$2,470.53
 - Vouchers 9733 to 9736 \$40,213.94
 - D1392 to D1397 \$9,433.73
 - P2950 and P2951 \$6,390.72 pay period 6/1-6/15/26
 - P2952 to P2954 \$8,521.84 pay period 6/16-6/30/26
 - P2955 and P2957 \$590.17 June Commissioners
3. Related Party Transactions
 - Stevens Pass Mountain Resort monthly service fee is current.

Old Business:

1. Plant Report and Update.
 - 206,000 gallons, no violations, everything is working properly.
 - PFE Mixing Pump returned.
2. Blower Project Update.
 - Project is underway. A few schedule and coordination hiccups.
 - Modulating valves being tested today, Thursday 7/16/2026.
 - 1 membrane blower, 1 aeration blower, and 1 set of diffusers to be tested beginning 7/21/2026.

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3. New Permit.
 - Reply to factual review draft has been sent to Ecology. We are awaiting their reply.
 - Temperature reduction is being evaluated and strategized for near term.
 - Nitrate operational control will not be tested until blower project is complete.
 - District has requested that these 2 items do not become permit requirements until December 1, 2026 so that the District has time after completion of the Blower Project to experiment to best see how these criteria can be implemented.

New Business:

1. New Connection in Yodelin.
 - Existing cabin that had not been connected.
 - Leslie Llado cabin, formerly the Malloy (M2) cabin.
2. Stuck water plant backwash 7/6/2026 – 7/7/2026.
 - 16 - 20 hours of excessive 'slug' discharge. 45,000 extra gallons.
 - PFE alarmed at 10:30 pm.
 - Limited storage due to construction.
 - Required operator to be onsite overnight due to temporary construction effluent bypass utilizing manual valves for discharge.
 - Discharge lowered pH of Effluent.
 - Slug discharges need to stop as they are disruptive to our processes and limited personnel.
3. Resort's Vehicle Shop Reconnection.
 - Vehicle shop was disconnected from collection system in 2016 due to oil/diesel discharge that severely damaged filters nearly allowing oil to enter creek. Plant had to stop operating for several months. Oil had to be monitored for 5 years, requiring weekly trips to testing lab in Everett. Filters had to be replaced twice, requiring upgrade due to obsolescence of modules. The first replacement was due to the initial contamination, the second was due to residual oil.
 - Resort wants to reconnect restroom and handwash sink. Oil/water separator and shop sink would remain disconnected.
 - Ecology had told District that the shop was never to be allowed to reconnect, but this conversation was not documented.
 - The District requires all connections to be engineered. If we decide to allow this connection, we will likely require a failsafe automatic shutoff mechanism if oil or diesel is detected.

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4. Washington State Department of Ecology "Outstanding Performance Award" for 2025.
 - The Stevens Pass Sewer District has been awarded the Outstanding Performance Award. This is awarded to wastewater treatment facilities that are violation free for the year.

Meeting adjourned at 10:29 AM

Next Regular Meeting:
August 20, 2026

Casey Cass-Position #1

Stephanie Ogden-Position #2

Jeff Andreas-Position #3