



February 2024 Newsletter

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Hi Group,

The February meeting was held via zoom on 2/21/2024 and started at 10:00 AM.

Attendees: Chris Sutton-Backflows Northwest, Misty Stevens-Snohomish County PUD Water, Tim Cantwell-Woodinville Water District, Delynn Erickson-Woodinville Water District, Wednesday Smith-City of Kirkland, Kathy Caldwell-City of Snohomish, Iliya Andreev- City of Redmond, Bri Kennedy-City of Bothell, Jim Monaghan-Washington Water Services, Arnica Briody-DOH, Gary Brown-Cedar River Water and sewer District, Michael Conover-City of Bainbridge Island, John Anderson-Sammamish Plateau Water District, Bob Hubbert-Seattle Public Utilities, Noah Mazurkiewicz-Backflows Northwest, Dave Baisch-Port of SeaTac Airport, Indee Girven- Kitsap PUD, Carla Snyder-Coal Creek Utility District, Mike Hensen-City of Anacortes, Lois Stone-Snohomish County PUD Water, Brandon Balliet-City of Bellevue, Paul Molosani, Justin Smith, Skagit PUD, Todd Freeman,

Treasure Report: Chris Sutton has opened new PO Box and switched over bank account. He would like to move stuff from storage unit to his facility free of charge. Tim Cantwell motion to approve and Kathy second motion. Chris plans to start digitizing accounting books and move to quick books over the next 2 or 3 months.

New Business: The Group website needs to be updated. Paul would like to change the website host and will put together a demo. The website also needs to process payments and track the member list. It would also be nice to have an announcement section to display open jobs and acquisitions etc. Kathy brought up that the zoom account needs to be paid by credit card. Chris will work on getting a Group debit card to make payments in the future. Chris suggested a communication tool called Slack to use as a communication tool and will be rolling it out to the executive team.

February Meeting Topic: Finalization of BAT FORUM and panelist. More advertisement to be sent out. Misty will put together a power point to be displayed of possible topics for the panel discussion session "Challenges & Solutions". If you would like to add a topic to the list, please send an email to Misty Stevens at mgstevens@snopud.com.

Old Business: Auditing has not happened yet and may take some time to have completed since it is tax season, and we would like to get everything updated and uploaded first.

Announcements: Wednesday will be presenting "Survey Superhero's" at the ABPA conference in Charlotte, North Carolina April. YAY!!!

The next meeting will be the 2024 BAT FORUM on Zoom March 20,2024, at 8:00AM.

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86013830149?pwd=RDFHV2psWHIHLzBrSnBqemhZb1Ztdz09>

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The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 AM

Misty Stevens, Secretary