

# WHITLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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Ms. Linda Bridwell  
Executive Director  
Public Service Commission  
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RE: Case No. 2022-00321

Whitley County Water District #1  
Response to Salary improperly paid to Board Commissioners 2022

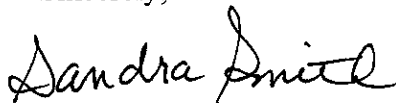
Dear Ms. Bridwell:

As noted in the referenced case, the Whitley County Water District Board of Commissioners (Board) did receive an annual salary of \$6,000.00 each as approved by the Whitley County Fiscal Court in December, 2021. Although the Board attended Public Service Commission (PSC) approved training in October, 2021, they did not attend PSC training during 2022. So, they were technically only eligible for an annual salary of \$3,600.00.

The Board did discuss this issue at the March, 2023 regular meeting. They discussed three options, 1. Reimburse the District directly, 2. Take the reduced annual salary of \$3,600 in lieu of the Fiscal Court approved amount of \$6,000, but also attend scheduled PSC approved training during the 2023 calendar year. And, 3. Serve without pay until the over payment of \$2,400 is recouped by the District. The Board chose to go with option #2, if acceptable to the PSC. They believed this option (or option 3) would be the simplest way to avoid having corrected W-2s issued for 2022, as well as filing amended tax returns. The Board did direct the bookkeeper to reduce/adjust amounts paid to them during 2023 to reflect their decision.

Please contact me if you have any questions concerning this matter.

Sincerely,



Sandra Smith  
Manager