

Mason County PUD 1  
Board of Commissioners Meeting  
July 10, 2012

The regular Board of Commissioners Meeting of Public Utility District No. 1 of Mason County was called to order at 1:00 p.m. on July 10, 2012 at the District Office Board Room in Potlatch.

**Present**

Ron Gold – Secretary  
Karl Denison- Vice President  
Jack Janda – President  
Steve Taylor, General Manager  
Jocelyne Gray- Director of Operations-Water  
Tracy Colard- Director of Ops- Electric  
Greg Kester - Auditor/Dir. of Finance & Customer Service  
Kristin Masteller- HR/Communications/Exec. Asst.

**Visitors**

Jim Oakley, ENW  
Lauren “Mike” Danforth

**Excused**

Rob Johnson – District Counsel

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**By adopting the consent agenda, the following items were approved:**

The minutes of the June 26, 2012 regular meeting.

Payroll warrants #104726-104733 in the amount of \$80,890.12; Accounts Payable warrants #104715-104725 in the amount of \$23,582.90 and #104734-104793 in the amount of \$183,173.74; for a total vouchers amount of \$287,464.76.

Ron made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented; Karl seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Introductions were made and visitors were welcomed.

Mike Danforth had questions regarding a letter that Canal Mutual customers received regarding the upcoming construction. He is concerned about the planned construction below the highway taking priority over other construction tasks and the quality of the water. Jocelyne explained that the chlorination was federally mandated, as it is in all cases of coliform in wells and the District is researching any possibilities to remove chlorination. She also explained that the highway project is not a priority above the main line improvements that will allow additional connections to the system. She is finishing up permits and then will put everything out to bid. Depending on construction weather and the amount of the bids, we may have to decide what parts of the project get done this year and which have to wait until next year but we will be holding public meetings with Canal Mutual residents for their input and feedback when deciding those priorities if it comes to that. Jocelyne and Kristin will send an update to Canal Mutual customers regarding the status of the project so everyone is on the same page.

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**BUSINESS AGENDA**

**Visit from Jim Oakley of Energy Northwest**

Jim gave the commissioners an update on ENW and went over some highlights from recent meetings, of which Governor Gregoire attended. He also discussed some of the issues with ENW's last outage, as well as updates on maintenance projects, participant review boards, etc.

**FEMA Designated Agent Resolution**

Greg asked the commissioners to sign a resolution for storm damage refunds from FEMA in January. The resolution designates Greg as the primary agent for the District and Cindi as the back-up agent.

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

There was no correspondence.

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT- Steve Taylor**

Steve gave an update on the June strategic plan highlights. He also reported that the Daily property purchase has been extended for 30 days to deal with an old lien issue.

**STAFF REPORTS**

**Tracy Colard:**

Safety minutes for May and June were presented for the commissioners' review. Michael Ferrier took a couple weeks of PTO and assisted in the power outage crisis back East. His experiences working on these other sites and situations are very valuable and bring that experience and knowledge back to the PUD 1 crews. Finishing up the Bee Mill high outage area with tree wire. McCreavy underground replacement will be the next project, and then they will finish the Sunnyside road. Late Summer and early Fall they will be replacing old wire in Suncrest area.

**Jocelyne Gray:**

Jocelyne is working on Canal Mutual permits right now and has begun to submit them to the various agencies; looks like permits will begin to come through in August. Will probably be able to work on upper portion of Canal Mutual until the weather gets bad and then it will have to be stabilized and left until the weather improves. The Bloomfield Rd. well house is rebuilt.

**Greg Kester:**

In response to Karl's request, on July 17th at 1:30 Greg will have a presentation from the Doxo online payment company. Work with Kristin on paperless option marketing to reduce the amount of paper bills that are being sent out for e-pay customers.

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**Kristin Masteller:**

Nothing new to report this meeting.

**Rob Johnson:**

Excused from the meeting.

**BOARD REPORTS/COMMENTS**

**Karl:** WPUDA had a good strategic planning session a couple months ago. One major change is the former partnership with NoaNet, which will now be included in the strategic plan only if it's in the interest of our members. Hope to get the plan approved at the July meeting in Leavenworth.

**Ron:** WRIA hasn't been meeting so nothing new to report this week.

**Jack:** Energy Northwest had election of officers. Jack is the vice chair of ENW again this year.

**Meeting Adjourned at 2:34 p.m.**

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Jack Janda – President

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Karl Denison - Vice President

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Ron Gold – Secretary