

Mason County PUD 1  
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting  
October 28, 2014

**Present**

Ron Gold- President  
Jack Janda- Board Secretary  
Karl Denison- Vice President  
Jocelyne Gray– Director of Ops - Water  
Kristin Masteller– Dir. of Employee & Public Relations  
Darin Hall- Electric Superintendent  
Rob Johnson- District Legal Counsel

**Visitors**

None.

**Excused**

Steve Taylor- General Manager  
Greg Kester- Dir. of Finance & Customer Service

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Mason County was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

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

The minutes of the October 14, 2014 regular meeting;

Accounts Payable warrants #108924 \$17,349.15, #108935-108980 \$254,254.00 and Payroll warrants #108925-108934 \$85,530.32; and Voids #108859 (\$420.05) and #108860 (\$17,349.15) for a total vouchers amount of \$339,464.27.

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

**Visitors**

None.

**BUSINESS AGENDA**

**Customer Service Department Report on Recent Trainings**

Julie Gray and Shiane Saeger attended the NWPPA's Credit, Collections & Customer Service conference in Portland last week and gave a report on customer service and credit/collections topics that they covered that were valuable for our utility. We have one of the lowest write-off percentages out of all the utilities that attend. There was a presentation on conservation that provided useful information for us to relay to customers on their power consumption. Customer service safety was discussed at the training as well.

**Resolution No. 1055- Supporting Amendments to the Energy Independence Act**

Kristin presented a resolution to the board to support WPUDA's efforts to push for amending the Energy Independence Act to make allowances for community rooftop solar, storage, distributed generation, etc.

Jack made a motion to approve Resolution No. 1055 as presented; Karl seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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**RPA No. 115- Appraisal Services for BIA Distribution ROW**

Additional appraisals are needed to estimate back-rent and a new 100' right of way permit for tribal properties. Greg Richards presented a scope of services in his contract to perform this appraisal and secure a permit for the next 50 years.

Jack made a motion to authorize RPA No. 115 as presented; Karl seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None.

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

Steve and Greg are at a leadership training this week. No report.

**STAFF REPORTS**

**Darin Hall:**

Darin reported that there were a few outages due to the windy weather. He also reported on an interest based bargaining training that he and Kristin attended at Energy Northwest.

**Jocelyne Gray:**

Jocelyne reported that her crew has begun work on Mason Ave. Jocelyne attended a Mason County earthquake drill training with other water systems and county/state entities.

**Greg Kester:**

No report.

**Kristin Masteller:**

Kristin reported that the Economic Development Council was having a community strategic planning meeting Thursday at the Hoodspport Library at 5:30 p.m.

**Rob Johnson:**

Rob attended the APPA legal seminar. He also gave an update on right-of-way tree trimming.

**BOARD REPORTS/COMMENTS**

**Karl:** Karl attended the Energy Northwest Members' Forum. Washington State has one of the highest subsidies in the nation for solar producers but one of the lowest production rates.

**Ron:** Ron gave an update on Lilliwaup Falls.

**Jack:** Jack also attended the ENW Members' Forum and said it was the best one he had ever attended.

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**Meeting Adjourned at 3:00 p.m.**

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Ron Gold, President

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Karl Denison, Vice President

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Jack Janda, Secretary