

Mason County PUD 1
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
February 10, 2015

Present

Karl Denison- President
Jack Janda- Vice President
Ron Gold- Secretary
Steve Taylor- General Manager (via phone)
Darin Hall- Electric Superintendent
Greg Kester- Dir. of Finance & Customer Service
Kristin Masteller– Dir. of Employee & Public Relations
Rob Johnson- District Legal Counsel

Visitors

Greg Texeira, Union Heights Water System

Excused

Jocelyne Gray– Director of Ops - Water

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 January 27, 2015 regular meeting;

Accounts Payable warrants #109416-109420 \$1,709.74, #109428-109477 \$150,054.19, and Payroll warrants #109421-109477 \$92,145.21, Voids #109365 (\$273.48) and #109283 (\$1,032.17) for a total vouchers amount of \$242,603.49.

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

Visitors

Greg is following up regarding a proposed fire hydrant with a spigot in Union Heights water system to help with no water access during power outages. Jocelyne determined cost in April meeting. Steve will ask Jocelyne call Greg on Tuesday when she returns to the office and update him on the status of that project.

BUSINESS AGENDA

No business agenda items.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT- Steve Taylor

Steve asked Darin to update the board on the Duckabush Transformer outage. A tree came into the line and a reclosure in the substation failed. The high side fuses also failed. Darin went out with the crew last night to evaluate it. They bypassed the reclosure to get everyone back in power fairly quickly. This impacted everyone from the county line up north. We will replace that reclosure as soon as it comes in. Steve and Darin are going to inventory existing transformers in the substations and create a schedule to replace them.

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STAFF REPORTS

Darin Hall:

Brinnon had a few wind related outages but nothing due to the flooding. There's a slide just north of the county line. We will have an outage tomorrow at 9:00 a.m. so WSDOT can shore up the highway.

Jocelyne Gray:

No report.

Greg Kester:

Greg will present the year-end financials at the next meeting. The 2015 revenue is about \$100,000 short from what we did a year ago. The weather has been much warmer this year. Greg will help Jefferson County PUD again this week. Greg gave an update on the ID encryption process for drivers' licenses and social security numbers.

Kristin Masteller:

Kristin reported that we received 91 applications for the meter reader/utility helper position and that she and Darin are interviewing 14 candidates this week. Our 80th anniversary was last week. The PUD Day on the Hill is next Thursday. Steve and Kristin will be at the PUD 1 booth but commissioners can rotate in as well.

Rob Johnson:

Rob is waiting for a report on the valuation for the claim and it was noted by the tree expert that the crews did follow standard utility practices when trimming the limbs out of the large cedar trees.

BOARD REPORTS/COMMENTS

Karl: Karl got a call from a customer asking why the PUD is keeping driver license information. The customer is concerned about ID fraud. Staff indicated that the records are kept in the safe and it is common PUD practice. Rob indicated it is required by the Patriot Act. Greg will do further research to see if the License information can be shredded once proof of identity is determined.

Ron: Ron gave an update on Lilliwaup Falls.

Jack: Jack reported that at the Public Power Council meeting they discussed predators eating the salmon fry. BPA has a comment period open regarding the funding of the conservation program.

Business Meeting Adjourned at 2:09 p.m. Following the business meeting, the commissioners took a tour of Lilliwaup Falls from 2:15 to 3:30.

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