

Mason County PUD 1
Board of Commissioners Special Meeting
March 31, 2015

Present

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

Visitors

Seamus McGrady
Mark Kuciemba

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 March 10, 2015 regular meeting;

Accounts Payable warrants #109627-109666 \$424,677.98, and Payroll warrants #109620-109626 \$85,418.49, Voids #109639 (\$30,198.00), for a total vouchers amount of \$479,898.47.

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

Visitors

Seamus McGrady and Mark Kuciemba were welcomed to the meeting. Mr. McGrady showed pictures of his property where the PUD has an easement along two properties, one of which is his. His neighbor is putting in a new service to his home. The neighbor hired a contractor to put in the trench, which Mr. McGrady feels has torn up his driveway and made it muddy. The board and attorney stated that the person who commissioned the work is responsible for making the repairs to the ditch and not the PUD since the District did not perform any of the work. Darin stated that the primary junction box can be removed and the wire buried but informed Mr. McGrady that it would be more expensive if he decided to do underground later. Mr. McGrady said he understood. Steve reminded Mr. McGrady that Hood Canal Communications is the company that has the orange tubing. Mr. McGrady said that he asked for the water connection to be capped because the residence down below had its own well and that he didn't need the connection anymore. The board suggested that he contact his neighbor who contracted the work to fix the road back to pre-construction status and that if he felt like filling out a claim for damages form, he could do that. He was provided a form for damages.

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BUSINESS AGENDA

Approval of Write Offs

Julie Gray presented the list of write offs for approval.

Ron made a motion to approve the list of account write offs in the amount of \$10,420.33; Jack seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Approval of Invoice for Magnum Power

BKI has submitted a request for payment for the Magnum Power bill in the amount of \$347,726.88 plus applicable sales tax. Steve and Darin said they've done a great job.

Jack made a motion to authorize payment to Magnum Power in the amount of \$347,726.88, plus tax; Ron seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Cancellation of April 28th Regular Board Meeting

Due to scheduling conflicts, Steve, Karl and Jack all cannot attend the April 28th meeting.

Jack made a motion to cancel the April 28th meeting; Karl seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

Approval of 2015-2018 CBA with IBEW Local Union No. 77

Jack made a motion to approve the 2015-2018 Collective Bargaining Agreement with IBEW Local Union No. 77; Ron seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Tim Sheldon won the NWPPA's Public Service award. He was co-nominated by Mason 1 and Energy Northwest.

Shiane Saeger was thanked by a teacher at Brinnon School for going above and beyond to help a mother and students obtain financial assistance for their utility bill. Shiane was noted by the board for doing a good job.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT- Steve Taylor

Steve demonstrated the costs of the different kinds of underground wire. He also went through highlights of the first quarter strategic plan report. Steve will be on PTO from tomorrow through next Monday.

STAFF REPORTS

Darin Hall:

Magnum Power is finished with the T3 transmission and is cleaning up the site. They had a near miss accident and had stopped operations and had a review and tailgate meeting. Our crew finished an underground replacement project in Point Whitney. Will be back over to Hwy 106 as time permits.

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Jocelyne Gray:

Jocelyne reported that we got \$120,000 in consolidation grants. Three of them go toward the Union Regional Water System concept and the last goes to look at Twanoh Heights and Twanoh Terrace and combining them. Our Canyonwood Beach water system came in 2nd in the water taste test competition. Have a new water lab in Port Orchard for testing.

Greg Kester:

Greg will bring in a couple months' worth of financials next meeting. Still helping Jefferson PUD get their financial statements in order.

Kristin Masteller:

No report.

Rob Johnson:

No report.

BOARD REPORTS/COMMENTS

Karl: Karl discussed highlights from PPC and WPUDA meetings.

Ron: No report.

Jack: Jack discussed energy imbalance market and solar topics from PPC and WPUDA.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Karl Denison, President

Jack Janda, Vice President

Ron Gold, Secretary