

Mason County PUD 1  
Board of Commissioners Public Hearing & Regular Board Meeting  
May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2016

**Present**

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

**Visitors**

Mike Massa-Carbon Washington  
Conley Watson-Hartene Retreat Customer  
William (Bill) Simmons-Union Customer  
Arla Shephard Bull-Mason County  
Life/Kitsap Sun

**Excused**

Kristin Masteller-Dir of Employee & Public  
Relations

**Public Hearing – Carbon Tax Initiative I-732**

The Public Hearing was called to order at 1:00 p.m.

Karl Denison presented a PowerPoint slideshow that gave an overview about the carbon tax initiative. He stated 95% of the District's power purchased from BPA is already clean (carbon free). Ron Gold stated the PUDs along the Olympic Peninsula should team up to create a network of electric vehicle charging stations and the state should encourage electric vehicles to reduce carbon emissions.

The floor was opened for public comments.

Bill Simmons is a customer of PUD 1 and PUD 3. He does not support the initiative. He state PUD 3 currently plans not to support I-732. Bill stated methane gas is a higher pollutant than carbon based on his research.

Mike Massa of Carbon Washington presented why his organization is supporting this initiative. He explained the tax neutral calculations; the carbon tax is suppose to be offset by lower Work Family Tax, lower Business & Operations Tax, and lower Sales Tax. Department of Revenue has not yet indentified how agencies and businesses will report carbon tax.

The board will take action regarding this initiative at the May 24<sup>th</sup> board meeting, 1 p.m. The Public Hearing closed at 3:04 p.m. A recess was called by Karl Denison. All visitors left.

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**Regular Board Meeting**

Karl Denison called the Regular Board meeting to order at 3:12 p.m.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Minutes: April 26th, 2016 Public Hearing and Regular Meeting

Vouchers:	Accounts Payable:	111606-111609	\$ 72,925.29
		111617-111656	\$ 262,514.32
	Payroll:	111610-111616	\$ 94,911.12
	Voids:	111606	(\$ 36,500.76)
		111484	(\$ 659.10)
	Total:		\$ 430,350.73

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

**Public Comment**

No comments.

**BUSINESS AGENDA**

**March Financials**

Greg presented the March 2016 financials to the Board. The District will need to borrow later in the year to meet cash flow.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

**Steven Taylor:**

There is a workshop scheduled September 30, 2016 to discuss Load Following versus Short Term Market.

He and Darin met with BPA regarding the maintenance of their Potlatch substation.

We have received the documents from BIA to get the property owner signatures for the transmission right-of-way. The commissioners recommend Steve talk to the Tribal Council and ask for their assistance in getting signatures.

Brown and Kysar are moving forward with future site plans; pole yard impacts are to be evaluated. Facilities workshop is scheduled for August 16, 2016 at 10 am.

The janitorial services bid closes on Friday, there have been no submittals to date.

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The Customer Service Representative position closes on Friday, there have been 24 applications to date.

Karl called for an Executive Session at 3:29 p.m. to discuss policy. Karl called the meeting back into regular session at 3:34 p.m.

**STAFF REPORTS**

**Darin Hall:**

Scheduled outage for Duckabush rebuild on May 17 for a few hours replace 27 poles.

Scheduled outage for Duckabush substation maintenance beginning at 10 p.m. June 2, 2016.

In-house brush crew begins June 1, 2016.

Safety: Four electrical crew attended a grounding class at PUD 3. April Safety meeting covered Bloodborne Pathogens and Heat Stress.

Ron and Darin met with the Port of Hoodspout about the electric vehicle charging station; the Port is moving forward with bids.

**Jocelyne Gray:**

Jocelyne attended the PNWS-AWWA conference in Boise last week. She presented about the impacts of the 2015 drought on Mason County. There were several good classes on emergency management and WARN.

**Greg Kester:**

BPA transmission rate case criteria to be that same as it was for 2016.

He will attend CAISO training.

**Kristin Masteller:**

No report

**Rob Johnson:**

No report. Rob was excused at 3:35 p.m. for another meeting.

**BOARD REPORTS/COMMENTS**

**Karl:** he was on vacation in Cabo and was impressed with the rebuild of their grid system since a major hurricane.

**Ron:** No report

**Jack:** provided update on ENW, CAISO, and Focus 2028. He presented the USDFW decision that restricts impacts to fish.

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**Meeting adjourned:** 4:30 p.m.

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Karl Denison, President

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Jack Janda, Vice President

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Ron Gold, Secretary