



Mason County Public Utility District No. 1

Board of Commissioners- Board Workshop & Regular Meeting Minutes

June 13, 2017 Potlatch, Washington

10:00 a.m. Board Workshop- Union Regional Water System Consolidation (BKI)

Present: Ron Gold, Jack Janda, Mike Sheetz, Darin Hall, Steve Taylor, Kristin Masteller, Byron Woltersdorf, Scott Lindsay, Mary & Larry DeForrest, Constance Ibsen, Karl Denison

BKI reworked the Union Regional Water System Plan as presented by Gray & Osborne in 2016. Steve went over the planning documents of the system deficiencies and the improvement program to be spread over the next 20 years.

Byron from BKI gave a presentation on the six existing water systems as they are today and reviewed the improvements needed to upgrade the systems. He stated that the benefits to using the regional water system plan were that the District's ratepayers wouldn't have to pay for six individual water system plans within the next 10 years.

The four customers in attendance asked questions. They generally agreed that the consolidation portion of the plan was the part that was hardest for the community to support. Consolidation of a couple systems if it made good financial and physical sense was easier to be on board with.

Workshop ended at 12:06 p.m.

1:00 p.m. Regular Board Meeting

Present:

Jack Janda, President
Ron Gold, Vice President
Mike Sheetz, Board Secretary
Steven Taylor, General Manager
Rob Johnson, District Legal Counsel
Kristin Masteller, Director of Business Services

Excused:

Darin Hall, Director of Operations

Visitors:

Karl Denison, Scott Lindsay

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

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:

Minutes: May 30, 2017 Special Meeting

Warrants:	Accounts Payable	113605	\$ 5,664.97
		113613-113691	\$125,026.17
	Payroll	113606-113612	\$104,552.86
Total:			\$235,224.00

Mike made a motion to approve the consent agenda; Ron seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.



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PUBLIC COMMENT:

No public comment.

BUSINESS AGENDA:

Karl Denison, NWPPA Life Member Award

Jack Janda presented Karl Denison with the Northwest Public Power Association's Life Member Award, which Ron Gold accepted on Karl's behalf at the NWPPA annual meeting last month. Karl thanked PUD 1 and Energy Northwest for their joint nomination of him and said how honored he was to receive the recognition and how he missed the people from the public power community. The board and staff thanked Karl for his 12 years of service with the utility and his contributions to public power.

STAFF REPORTS:

General Manager Report-

Steve brought back information on generators for water pumps. Darin and Steve went to McMinnville to evaluate their two power transformers. BKI will test them and if they are viable, we will purchase them and bring them here to install in the Duckabush Substation for under \$100,000 total installation. This will add capacity and avoid expensive "band-aid" costs that we were looking at prior to these transformers becoming available. We received our grading permit for the pole yard so we will put that out to bid and bring it back to the board. Working with Pirate's Cove engineering assessment to mitigate the slide issue. Working on preliminary designs for the LTC repair on the Union substation. Still working to get BPA's metering on Lilliwaup Falls.

Operations Report- Darin Hall:

Temporary crew started on June 1st and have been working on tree trimming.

Business Services Report- Kristin Masteller:

Kristin and Darin will attend a meeting with Mason County tomorrow for the hazard mitigation planning team. We finally reconciled 2 years of payroll deductions following the audit. Kristin is working with Hood Canal on transitioning phone services. Rough estimate show an initial savings of about \$5,000 year by streamlining the services through HCC. We completed our 5-year IT strategic plan and will be replacing our firewall server tomorrow. Also working on IT security training and policy with HCC. EV charging station grant application was unsuccessful but we will reapply with the North Olympic Development Council at a later date when more funds become available.

Legal Report- Rob Johnson:

No report.

Correspondence:

None.



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Board Reports:

Mike Sheetz: No report.

Jack Janda: No report.

Ron Gold: Skokomish Watershed Action Team will have a meeting this Friday at the Skokomish Grange on the road realignment proposals. Ron has concerns about the proposals to move the road, especially from a utility standpoint. It would strand our utilities. Steve said he would ask Darin to attend the meeting on Friday as well.

Adjournment: 2:00 p.m.

Jack Janda, President

Ron Gold, Vice President

Mike Sheetz, Secretary