

Mason County PUD 1
Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting
July 8, 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
Greg Kester- Dir. of Finance & Customer Service

Visitors

Conley Watson
Bill & Helen Timm

Excused

Steve Taylor- General Manager

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 June 24, 2014 regular meeting;

Accounts Payable warrants #108338-108342 \$28,714.28, #108355-108420 \$144,699.52; Payroll warrants #108343-108354 \$96,631.68; Voided warrants #108332 (\$312.99) and #108264 (\$999.14) for a total vouchers amount of \$268,733.35.

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

Visitors

Bill and Helen Timm thanked the PUD for the energy rebate program that they were able to take advantage of for their own home. They have lived in their house since 1960 and put in new insulation and a ductless heat pump. Conley Watson lives at Harstene Retreat and he has two lots there. He asked a question about the number of water connections in his water system, to which Jocelyne replied there were 48 available. He also talked about some history of the building of the system and offered some suggestions for finding the leaks that the system is experiencing.

BUSINESS AGENDA

Approval of Write-Offs

Julie presented a list of customer accounts to be written off in the amount of \$9,475.05.

Karl made a motion to approve the list of write-offs in the amount of \$9,475.05; Jack seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

2014 CleanHydro Campaign

Jack made a motion to authorize payment in the amount of \$1,140.00 to continue to fund the educational CleanHydro campaign; Karl seconded the motion. It passed unanimously.

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CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT- Steve Taylor

No report.

STAFF REPORTS

Darin Hall:

Darin reported that Kemp West, our contracted brush crew, started work yesterday on the north end.

Jocelyne Gray:

Saturday was a very busy day. There was a massive water leak at Robin Hood and then we received a call of no water due to an underground fault in Highland Park. The leak at Hood Canal completely drained the reservoir so it took all night Saturday to refill the reservoir.

Greg Kester:

Greg stated that WPAG had a conference call regarding cannabis and tried to get a feeling from Bonneville regarding any policy position they will take and they offered none at this time. Pacific and Clark PUDs now have large loads onboard due to cannabis. Greg gave an update on the outcomes from the meeting between BPA and Gary Reed regarding Reed's hydro project. Greg is going to PPC and then will attend the PURPA panel meeting.

Kristin Masteller:

We had a great company picnic event on the 30th. WPUDA has put together a workgroup to conduct outreach through a clean energy communications strategy. Basically we are designing a program for each utility to use to solicit ratepayer feedback on clean energy strategies for each PUD. We are under a tight timeline to do the outreach and solicit ratepayer feedback before the legislative session starts. Kristin confirmed the date for the strategic planning on August 15th and reminded the board of the Department of Retirement Systems workshop.

Rob Johnson:

Rob participated in the cannabis conference call also and agrees with the consensus that right now we should not set a policy until we see what action Bonneville decides to take.

BOARD REPORTS/COMMENTS

Karl: Karl reported that last week that WPUDA had a good water meeting. He called Tim Sheldon regarding the International Fire Standards fire flow issue. Karl will talk with Tim Sheldon about discussing the impact of the code on PUD water systems and possibly meeting with their commission at the county commissioner meeting. We received permission from DOH to read the source meter daily this summer to determine the peak usage for Highland Park water system to see if Jocelyne's calculations can allow for additional connections.

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Ron: Ron will try to make WPAG this week but will not attend PPC since Karl and Greg are going.

Jack: Went to the ENW executive board meeting where they reported that ENW was 365 days online and also had multiple successful audits. They also approved debt restructuring for Colombia Generating Station and Projects 1 and 3 as proposed by the participants' review board (PRB). Jack walked around the Cowlitz PUD property in downtown Longview and it is very nice.

Meeting Adjourned at 3:05 p.m.

Ron Gold, President

Karl Denison, Vice President

Jack Janda, Secretary