

Mason County Public Utility District No. 1

Board of Commissioners Regular Meeting Minutes
April 10, 2018 Potlatch, Washington

Present:

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

Excused:

Steven Taylor, General Manager Darin Hall, Director of Operations

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: March 27, 2018 Regular Meeting

Warrants: Accounts Payable 115160-115214 \$278,016.96

Payroll 115155-115159 \$103,422.24

Total \$381,439.20

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

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No visitors.

BUSINESS AGENDA:

Update on Finance RFPs

Heritage Bank in Shelton was chosen for the RFP for the \$3 million water system loan. We will present resolutions at the next board meeting. Nancy Neraas will be there to answer questions for the board. Heritage had the best interest rate for the term that the District requested.

Kristin and Katie are meeting with Columbia Bank's Hoodsport branch manager on Thursday to discuss their proposal for banking services. They offered to match all the competitors' proposals on fees and interest earnings to retain the District's business.

Update on Thurston County Water System Acquisition

Kristin gave an update on the status of the process including a presentation at the Mason County Commissioners' meeting to update them on the acquisition; a mailing with new customer information that went out to all new customers; and a phone call with Thurston PUD's GM and assistant GM on the status of the community meetings and the purchase and sale agreement. Kristin told Rob that Thurston PUD was trying to get the draft agreement in the next few weeks so he would have time to review it and bring it to a meeting in May.



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STAFF REPORTS:

General Manager Report:

Steve and Kristin paid a visit to the Skokomish Tribe regarding the meter audit and the increase they'll see on their statements for that meter. Kristin also reached out to Hood Canal School and sent them an email with the details after learning that their administration wasn't available this week to meet.

Steve received a call from the County prosecutor regarding the letter the commission sent on the lack of progress for the fraud case. We are working out the IT kinks on the Tantalus pilot project. Steve is in Washington, D.C. next week with NWPPA.

Operations Report- Darin Hall:

No report.

Business Services Report- Kristin Masteller:

No report.

Legal Report- Rob Johnson:

Rob reported that Mason PUD 3 had a well-attended meeting this morning with a group that is opposed to the PUD 3's advanced metering program.

Correspondence:

None.

Board Reports:

Mike Sheetz: No report.

Adjournment: 2:09 p.m.

Jack Janda: Stated Energy Northwest is still working on their CEO recruitment.

Ron Gold: Will attend tours with the Hood Coordinating Council this week.

Jack Janda, President Ron Gold, Vice President Mike Sheetz, Secretary