

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
OF ASOTIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
MEETING MINUTES
October 21, 2013

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President Judy Ridge presiding, the Public Utility District No. 1 of Asotin County Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. at the PUD Office at 1500 Scenic Way.

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ROLL CALL: PRESENT Commissioners: Judy Ridge, Gary Hicks and Don Nuxoll.

PUD Staff: General Manager Tim Simpson, Treasurer Bob Sischo and Counsel Scott Broyles.

Members of the public were present.

MINUTES OF MEETING AND VOUCHER APPROVAL:

MOTION by Commissioner Don Nuxoll and seconded by Commissioner Gary Hicks to approve the consent agenda approving the minutes of the October 7, 2013 2014 Budget Hearing and minutes of the October 8, 2013 Regular Meeting and payment of the Transaction Vouchers covering vouchers #2896EFT through #2910EFT in the amount of \$26,465.50 and Blanket Transaction Voucher Approval Document covering vouchers #31910 through #31937, and Electronic Transaction Vouchers #13101801 and #13101802 in the amount of \$46,067.47. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

PRESENTATION – ENERGY NORTHWEST

Mark Reddemann, Chief Executive Officer with Energy Northwest (ENW), provided a presentation titled “Energy Northwest – Our Road to Excellence” regarding the Columbia Generating Station (CGS) and the entire ENW organization. Attending with Mr. Reddemann was Larry Willey, Vice President, Energy/Business Services, Laura Scheele, Senior Public Affairs Analyst and Angie Walz, Public Affairs. Mr. Reddemann stated that he made a commitment last year to visit all of the ENW member utilities before the 2013 ENW Member Forum. He said that Asotin County PUD was his final visit.

Mr. Reddemann spoke of the 2011 refueling outage stating that prior to that outage the CGS had the longest run in history. He stated that in 2012 they had a record number of megawatt hours of electricity generated from the plant at 9,333,708. Also in 2012 ENW had the highest level of equipment reliability, zero lost-time accidents (3 years without a lost-time accident), lowest-ever reportable OSHA accidents and the APPA Safety Award of Excellence. Mr. Reddeman spoke of their 2011-2014 Excellence Initiative which includes Phase I – Improving Behaviors, Phase II – Demonstrating Results, Phase III – Achieving Excellence and Phase IV – Sustaining Excellence. He stated that ENW is committed to develop and sustaining excellence in the organization which has resulted in

achieving the records previously mentioned. Mr. Reddemann stated that senior management and organizational leadership was changed and has improved. He stated that every employee including himself has gone through a performance review. Through this process and the training provided employees, ENW received the Association of Washington Business 2012 Job Training/Advancement Award. Most recently ENW received an "Exemplary" status through an industry peer review. He stated ENW's goal is to sustain this excellence long-term. Mr. Reddemann spoke of the CGS license renewal for 20 more years through 2043, spoke of the increased effort and funding of capital improvements, spoke of the value in base load that CGS has provided the Northwest rate payers and spoke of their effort to develop small scale modular nuclear reactors. Mr. Reddemann addressed questions by members of the public.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no items presented.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items presented.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Landscaping Project – the manager reported that the landscaping project has begun as evidenced by the removal of many of the plants and trees planted when the building constructed in 1991. He stated that the project was designed and is being completed as a part of our Water Use Efficiency plan to promote low water use landscaping. Drip systems will be used on new plantings, elimination and significant amount of sprinkler system watering. The manager stated that the project should be completed in a few weeks.

Dead End Main Elimination – the manager reported that the operations crew began the elimination of a two dead-end mains at the intersection of 16th and Poplar Streets near the Clarkston Golf and Country Club. He stated that the dead-end elimination will improve water quality and that the project is part of the PUD's capital improvement projects outlined in the 2012 Water System Plan.

Internet and Data Service – the manager reported that an agreement was reached with CableOne to bring their internet and data service lines to the PUD office building. The PUD crew installed the conduit and CableOne will run the line to the building. The manager stated that our current service is extremely slow and CableOne will provide broadband that is faster at approximately one-third of the cost.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Ridge was appointed to the Washington PUD Association Budget Committee and attended a budget meeting on Thursday, October 17th in Olympia. Commissioners Hicks and Nuxoll were provided copies of the proposed budget. Commissioner Ridge stated that dues were the primary topic of discussion. Clark PUD had stated opposition to an increase especially due to the effort made by one commissioner to get Clark to rejoin the PUD Association. Commissioner Ridge stated that after discussion it was decided that dues for members will not increase in 2014.

Commissioner Ridge will be attending Energy Northwest Board Meetings on October 22nd and 23rd followed by the ENW Member Forum on October 24th and 25th.

Commissioner Nuxoll will be attending a PURMS semi-annual meeting in Burien, Washington on November 7th.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.