

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
OF ASOTIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
MEETING MINUTES
May 10, 2022

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President Greg McCall 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, Clarkston, Washington.
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ROLL CALL: PRESENT Commissioners: Greg McCall and Don Nuxoll.

Staff: Tim Simpson.

MINUTES OF MEETING AND VOUCHER APPROVAL

MOTION by Commissioner Don Nuxoll and seconded by Commissioner Greg McCall to approve the consent agenda approving the minutes of the April 25, 2022 Regular Meeting and payment of Payroll Vouchers #2101 - #2103 and Electronic Payroll Vouchers #6355EFT – #6371EFT in the amount of \$47,090.59 and Electronic Accounts Payable Vouchers #22050501, #22050502, #22050503, #22050601, #22050602 and #22051701 and Accounts Payable Vouchers #42770 – #42825 in the amount of \$501,453.28. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no items presented under Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items presented under New Business.

MANAGER’S REPORT

Administrative Activity – No applications were received for the Geographical Information System position before the deadline Friday, April 29. The position will remain open until filled. The State Auditor will initiate the 2021 Fiscal Year Audit on Monday, May 16. A virtual audit kick-off meeting will occur on Friday, May 13. The 2021 Water Quality Report and 2022 Water Use Efficiency Reports are available and customers will be notified of their availability in the May billing statements.

Capital Improvement Projects – Crea Construction completed the tie over of customer service lines for the Libby Street main replacement project. They are currently tying in intersections to the new main and paving has been completed between 12th and 13th Streets. The operations crew completed the tie over of customer service lines, fire hydrants and intersections to the new main on Frost Lane. Asphalt paving will begin Monday, May 16 and conclude the 17th. The crew began preliminary work on the 2,000 feet steel water main replacement project on Walk Lane from Hillyard Drive to Walk Court including Neal Drive. Design work was initiated with Murraysmith Engineers on a proposed River’s Bend Booster Station. Installation of the Booster will occur next year as part of the capital improvement projects.

Development Activity – The Developer Extension Agreement, for the Bennett Hill Subdivision, was provided to the developer for review and signature. Final plans were received for the Phase 2 of the Dimke multi-family housing development and the Bennett Hill mini-storage facility. Connection of the water main on Phase 2 of Appleside Townhomes be completed this week. The manager and staff met with the developer of the Grandview Drive development on Wednesday, April 27 to discuss the County required fire flow demand of 1500 gpm and the necessary steps for installing a 10-inch water main from Laurel Drive to meet fire flow. The Appleside Boulevard RV Park site plans are under development.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner McCall virtually attended an Energy Northwest meeting on Wednesday, April 27. He reported that the Board of Directors elected five inside directors and one outside director to the agency's 11-member Executive Board. Each of the Directors will serve a four-year term on the Executive Board, beginning July 1. The Chief Executive Officer reported that union negotiations with security staff are ongoing. He spoke regarding economic development in the Tri-Cities, public education regarding the benefits of nuclear power, Battelle Energy's work on the development of battery technology and reported that Washington State University has applied to become a nuclear training facility. The Chief Nuclear Officer reported that the Ukraine-Russia war has had an impact on supplies for nuclear reactors in the U.S. but has not affected the Columbia Generating Station (CGS). He stated that CGS continues to have good production with no issues. The Business Development Director reported on Energy Northwest's solar, wind and hydro production facilities stating that production of energy is good with no cost overruns. A presentation was made on the installation of electric vehicle charging stations. The plan is to install eighteen 150 kilowatt fast charging stations with six slated for the Yakima Valley and the remaining twelve to be installed on Stevens Pass. Each station will require one electric transformer. Work continues with Grant PUD on the development and siting of a NuScale small modular nuclear reactor. It was reported that NuScale will be going public next year.

Commissioner Ridge virtually attended a Public Power Council meeting, Thursday, May 5.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.