

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
OF ASOTIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
MEETING MINUTES
August 26, 2025

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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, Clarkston, Washington.
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ROLL CALL: PRESENT Commissioners: Judy Ridge, Greg McCall and Don Nuxoll.
Staff: Tim Simpson and Bob Sischo.

MINUTES OF MEETING AND VOUCHER APPROVAL

MOTION by Commissioner Greg McCall and seconded by Commissioner Don Nuxoll to approve the consent agenda approving the minutes of the August 12, 2025 Regular Meeting and Electronic Payroll Vouchers 8265EFT–8290EFT in the amount of \$73,112.65 and Electronic Accounts Payable Voucher 25082001, 25082002 and 25082003, Electronic Funds Transfer Voucher 2–EFT and Accounts Payable Vouchers 47198–47257 in the amount of \$137,809.70. 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 – Director Sischo and the manager met with Clearwater Power Company (CPC) to discuss the renewal of the operations and maintenance agreement for the electrical distribution line that serves Quailridge Golf Course. CPC supports a new agreement and their legal counsel will develop an updated agreement. CPC agreed to handle service issues during the development of a new agreement.

Water System Activity – The replacement of the steel main at 20th Avenue and 13th went well. Paving was be completed the same day. This was the conclusion of primary water main replacement projects for the year. Smaller diameter and shorter lengths of mains will be replaced as time allows. The Well No. 1 motor starter was installed on Tuesday, August 19 and placed into operation the next day.

Sewer System Activity –The Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) crew continues work through the list of identified point repairs. The crew is videoing and flushing sewer lines in the County. Additional point repairs have been identified through viewing of sewer videos. Staff finalized review of the 6th and 7th Street Sewer Main Replacement Project 95% design documents. The design of the project will be completed in September and go to bid by October. The project will utilize pipe-bursting technology. The decision was made to burst and replace an additional 300 feet of pipe that runs through Vernon Park to Chestnut Street. The total project length will be 1,300 feet. The PUD WWTP received the Washington State Department of Ecology 2024 Outstanding Wastewater Treatment Plant Award.

Development Activity – The developer and the engineer of the 22-lot Cache Creek development on 6th Avenue addressed staff provided comments on water and sewer infrastructure. A draft developer agreement has been provided for review.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner McCall virtually attended an Energy Northwest (EN) Board meeting on Wednesday, August 13. He reported that the meeting focused on the conditional project approval of the X-Energy small scale nuclear project. Discussion topics included the conditions of approval process and member utility legal and financial risks. The group also discussed the protection of other EN projects and reputational risk siting a need for no failures in the project development process. Another Board meeting will be held on September 10, 2025 to address additional questions regarding the conditional approval. EN stated that the schedule includes the project's Board Governance Policy approval on September 24, 2025, conditional approval of the project on October 23, 2025 and final approval of the project in May of 2026. After final approval, funding of the project will be secured.

Commissioner McCall virtually attended the Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts (WASWD) Board meeting on Monday, August 25. He reported that a variety of reports were presented along with discussion of their fall conference scheduled for September 16-19. The meeting also included discussions on workforce development.

Commissioner McCall will virtually attend the WASWD Section I and II meeting, Thursday, August 28.

Commissioner Ridge will virtually attend a Public Power Council meeting on Thursday, September 4.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.