

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.

Staff: Tim Simpson and Bob Sisco.

MOTION by Commissioner Don Nuxoll and seconded by Commissioner Greg McCall to approve the consent agenda approving the minutes of the August 26, 2025 Regular Meeting and Payroll Vouchers 2235–2237 and Electronic Payroll Vouchers 8291EFT–8316EFT in the amount of \$74,774.52 and Electronic Accounts Payable Voucher 25082901–25082903, 25090301, 25090401–25090403, 25090501–25090503, 25091101 and 25092501, Electronic Funds Transfer Voucher 3–EFT to 14-EFT and Accounts Payable Vouchers 47258–47316 in the amount of \$475,207.53. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

The manager presented Water Use Efficiency (WUE) program goals and measures that will be established for the years 2026 to 2035. The presentation provided an overview of the state law and rule requirements under the Washington Administrative Code, PUD program goals, PUD supply-side measures, customer demand-side measures, estimated water savings the goals propose to achieve and the WUE budget needed to achieve the goals. No public comment or input was provided when requested. The WUE Program will become part of the water system planning document.

There were no items presented under Old Business.

MOTION by Commissioner Greg McCall and seconded by Commissioner Don Nuxoll to approve Resolution 25-554 adopting the Water Use Efficiency Goals for the years 2026 through 2035. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

MOTION by Commissioner Don Nuxoll and seconded by Commissioner Greg McCall to approve changing the Tuesday, September 23, 2025 regular meeting date to Tuesday, September 22, 2025 at 5:30 pm. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Administrative Activity – The 2005 Water Truck sold on August 27th for \$27,100. It was purchased used in 2012 for \$27,950. A meeting was held on Thursday, September 4 to review updated City of Clarkston stormwater project plans. The City's engineer addressed PUD issues with the stormwater projects in relation to their location to both water and wastewater main lines and customer service lines. The first phase of the stormwater project will begin on Tuesday, September 15th.

Water System Activity – Paving for the 20th Avenue water main replacement project will be completed September 11-12. The crew will soon begin the replacement of 325 feet of steel main on the 1800 Block of 13th Street. It will be replaced with 6-inch PVC pipe and 5 service lines will be tied over after receipt of a satisfactory sample. The Asotin County Fire District will be paying for the installation of a fire hydrant. The AMR MXU replacement is ahead of schedule and is anticipated to conclude late this year.

Sewer System Activity – The Wastewater Treatment Plant crew continues work through the list of identified point repairs. A Wastewater Facilities Plan development meeting was held yesterday with Consor engineers and PUD staff. A draft plan is scheduled to be available in March of 2026. Development of the financial portion of the plan will begin next month.

Development Activity – The Clarkston Havens affordable housing units has opened to tenants and full water and sewer charges have begun. Final construction plan sets for the Cache Creek Development have been received and are under review by staff. After PUD final approval, a developer agreement will be signed.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner McCall virtually attended the Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts (WASWD) Section I and II meeting, Thursday, August 28. He reported the group heard a presentation from a vendor on the coating of concrete structures. The group heard an executive director report and discussed the upcoming testing requirements for PFAS in biosolids. A new position at the Department of Ecology has been created and the group was asked to engage Ecology regarding this position. WASWD is providing a seminar to members regarding the impact of new state taxes. The group also discussed the RETRO program refund checks and the upcoming Fall Conference.

Commissioner Ridge virtually attended a Public Power Council (PPC) meeting on September 4. She reported the PPC's lobbyist stated that Congress is on a recess. Prior to the recess the "Big Beautiful Bill" was signed by President Trump. The group discussed the upcoming House Natural Resources Subcommittee hearing on "the Defending Our Dams Act" that protects Northwest River System dams from removal. The bill was introduced by Washington State Representative Dan Newhouse. The Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) is conducting transmission system planning and PPC is asking BPA for transparency in the process. The group discussed the Residential Exchange Program and the Post-2028 issues. Guest speakers discussed the importance of natural gas in the future of energy production and stated that the Northwest is getting close to having significant energy supply issues.

Commissioner McCall will virtually attend an Energy Northwest Board meeting on Wednesday, September 10.

Commissioner McCall, Director Sischo and the General Manager will virtually attend an Energy Northwest informational meeting on Thursday, September 11.

Commissioner McCall and Director Sisco will attend the Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts Fall Conference in Spokane, Washington, September 16-18.

Commissioner Ridge and Commissioner McCall will virtually attend the Washington PUD Association Meetings September 18-19.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.