

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
OF ASOTIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
MEETING MINUTES
December 22, 2025

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President Judy Ridge presiding, the Public Utility District No. 1 of Asotin County Meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.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, Bob Sischo, Craig Riehle, Lacey Smith, Brad Moore.

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 December 9, 2025 Regular Meeting and Electronic Payroll Vouchers 8473EFT–8498EFT in the amount of \$73,863.62 and Electronic Accounts Payable Voucher 25121901–25121903 and 25122601, Electronic Funds Transfer Voucher 180–EFT to 208–EFT and Accounts Payable Vouchers 47618–47656 in the amount of \$188,689.75. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

WATER PLAN PRESENTATION and PUBLIC HEARING

Commissioner Ridge opened the Public Hearing on the Comprehensive 2026-2035 Water System Plan (Plan) Update. Consor Engineer, Preston Love, P.E., presented an overview of the Plan discussing its purpose and providing a summarized review of each section. Financial consultant Deb Galardi joined virtually and provided an overview of the financial analysis. Consor Engineer, David Stangel, P.E., also joined virtually. After the presentation, there was no public comment or input provided when requested.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no items presented under Old Business.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 25-559 – Adopting the 2026-2035 Water System Plan

The manager presented Resolution 25-559 which adopts the 2026-2035 Comprehensive Water System Plan as presented. He stated that the Plan will be sent to the Department of Health for their final review.

MOTION by Commissioner Greg McCall and seconded by Commissioner Don Nuxoll to approve Resolution 25-559 adopting the 2026-2035 Water System Plan. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Resolution 25-560 – Sole Source Purchase of WWTP Ultra Violet Light Disinfection System Modules

The manager presented Resolution 25-560 which provides for the sole source purchase of Trojan Technologies Ultra Violet (UV) Light Disinfection System Modules for the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). He stated that the current UV system was installed as part of the 2012 upgrade of the WWTP and the UV System modules need to be replaced. The other Trojan Technologies components will remain in place and will work with the upgraded UV modules. The modules distinctive to the upgrade needs of the UV Disinfection System can only be acquired from a single vendor, Trojan Technologies. The UV Disinfection System is a crucial component in the treatment process with finished wastewater disinfected by the UV system prior to discharge to the river in compliance with our NPDES Permit.

The manager stated that the 2026 Budget designated \$220,000 for the UV Light System upgrade. Trojan Technologies has provided a bid in the amount of \$192,146.16. With sales tax in the amount of \$16,140.27, the total cost of the UV modules, with installation and training, is \$208,286.43. Included in this cost is a four-year inspection, general maintenance and training contract in the amount of \$8,664.00. The bid is attached for your review.

MOTION by Commissioner Don Nuxoll and seconded by Commissioner Greg McCall to approve Resolution 25-560 waiving the competitive bidding requirements and authorizing the sole source purchase of the WWTP UV Disinfection System Modules from Trojan Technologies in the amount of \$208,286.43. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Resolution 25-561 – Sole Source Purchase of WWTP Head Works Pumps

The manager presented Resolution 25-561 which provides for the sole source purchase of Hidrostal brand pumps for the WWTP Headworks Pump System from a single vendor. He stated that the current Headworks Pump System was installed as part of the 2012 upgrade of the WWTP and it was designed specifically to work with Hidrostal brand pumps. Staff have tried other pump brands but their operation has been unsuccessful. The 2026 Budget designated \$130,000 for the Headworks System pumps. APSCO, LLC., Kirkland, Washington, provided a quote for two pumps in the amount of \$119,545.17 with sales tax included. APSCO is an exclusive dealer in the Northwest of Hidrostal brand pumps distinctive to the needs of the WWTP Headworks Pump System.

MOTION by Commissioner Don Nuxoll and seconded by Commissioner Greg McCall to approve Resolution 25-561 waiving the competitive bidding requirements and authorizing the sole source purchase of the Hidrostal Pumps from APSCO, LLC. In the amount of \$119,545.17. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Resolution 25-562 – Sole Source Purchase of Bridge Street Sewer Lift Station Pumps

The manager presented Resolution 25-562 which provides for the sole source purchase of Fairbanks Morse brand grinder pumps for the Bridge Street Sewer Lift Station from a single vendor. The Bridge Street Sewer Lift Station was upgraded several years ago and it was designed specifically for Fairbanks Morse brand grinder pumps. We have tried other pump brands but their operation has been unsuccessful. The 2026 Budget estimated \$40,000 for the Bridge Street Sewer Lift Station grinder pumps. Granich Engineering, Seattle, Washington, provided a quote for two pumps in the amount of \$34,894.50 with sales tax included. Granich is an exclusive dealer in the Northwest of Fairbanks Morse brand pumps distinctive to the needs of the Bridge Street Lift Station.

MOTION by Commissioner Greg McCall and seconded by Commissioner Don Nuxoll to approve Resolution 25-562 waiving the competitive bidding requirements and authorizing the sole source purchase of the Fairbanks Morse Grinder Pumps from Granich Engineering in the amount of \$34,894.50. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Award Bid for the River's Bend Booster Pumps Station Emergency Backup Generator

The manager stated that the 2026 Budget included the purchase and installation of an emergency backup generator for the River's Bend Booster Station Pumps. The generator is also a capital improvement item identified in the 2026-2035 Water System Plan update. The budgeted amount for the generator, appurtenances, wiring and installation is estimated at \$100,000.

The manager stated that a bid was received for a generator from Western States Equipment utilizing Sourcewell, a national firm that competitively bids vehicles and equipment and provides them for purchase by governmental and public entities through local or regional dealerships who have a contract with them. The bid amount for the Caterpillar (CAT) 100-kilowatt, 240-volt generator is \$58,031. With sales tax the total amount will be \$62,789.54. The unit includes an automatic transfer switch, sound attenuation and a 209-gallon double-walled fuel tank. He stated that there is an approximate 7-month lead time on manufacture and delivery of the generator. If the bid is approved and the generator is ordered now, delivery is estimated to be in late July or August of 2026.

MOTION by Commissioner Greg McCall and seconded by Commissioner Don Nuxoll to award the bid for the River's Bend Booster Pump Station Emergency Backup Generator to Western States Equipment in the amount of \$62,789.54. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Award Bids for 2026 Utility Truck and Service Body

Then manager stated that the 2026 Budget designated \$95,000 for the purchase of a utility truck. The new vehicle will consist of a cab and chassis and a utility service body with a lift gate. This truck will also have a fuel tank in the bed and will be utilized as the field operations fuel truck for diesel equipment. A bid was received from the National Auto Fleet Group utilizing Sourcewell, a national firm that competitively bids vehicles and equipment and provides them for purchase by governmental and public entities through dealerships who have a contract with them.

The bid amount for a Ford F-350 Super Duty 4WD cab and chassis is \$59,702.63 and the bid amount for the Knapheide Service Body with a liftgate installed is \$35,378.70. Sourcewell charges a 10% handling fee on the service body which is \$2,972.50 and is included in the total. The total cost, with sales tax and fees is \$95,081.33. The new truck will replace the 2009 Utility Truck that also has a service body. Funds for this vehicle have been set aside in the Equipment Replacement Fund. The manager stated that the 2009 truck will be sold to offset the cost of the new truck. The estimated sales value of the 2009 truck is \$10,000 to \$15,000.

MOTION by Commissioner Don Nuxoll and seconded by Commissioner Greg McCall to award the bid for the 2026 Ford F-350 Utility Truck and Service Body to the National Auto Fleet Group in the amount of \$95,081.33. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Administrative Activity – The manager stated that due to a lowering of reserve funds, BPA has initiated the FY 2026 Power Financial Reserves Policy surcharge triggered based on FY 2025 end-of-year financial results. The Power FRP amount of \$40 million will be administered from Dec. 1, 2025 to Sept. 30, 2026. Asotin PUD's total is \$4,332 or \$361.00 per month. Energy Northwest has invited member utilities financial staff and legal counsel to attend a virtual informational session in February 2026 regarding final approval of the Cascade Advanced Energy Facility small scale nuclear project. PUD legal counsel is planning to attend. The State Department of Ecology is implementing a federal temperature total maximum daily load (TMDL) regulation on the Columbia and Snake Rivers. They are focusing at the dams and point sources, or WWTP NPDES permits, that may or may not contribute to raising the river temperatures. The PUD WWTP is listed as a point source on Ecology's TMDL informational document. Comments have been requested by Ecology on the TMDL and a letter will be submitted to Ecology detailing PUD concerns with this regulation.

Sewer System Activity – The manager stated that a preconstruction meeting for the 6th and 7th Streets Sewer Main Replacement Project was held with DW Excavating on Friday, December 19. They are planning to mobilize on January 5, 2026 and begin construction the following week. Letters have been mailed to customers affected by this project inviting them to a meeting being held at the Clarkston City Hall on Tuesday, January 6 to hear a presentation and provide an opportunity to ask questions.

Electric System Activity – The manager stated that a Scope of Work has been executed with Clearwater Power Company for the replacement of the electric cable that serves Quail Ridge Golf Course. A pre-construction meeting will be held soon to discuss the details of the project and identify a date for construction to begin. An owner of QRGC will be invited to attend the meeting.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

Commissioner McCall virtually attended a Washington Association of Water and Sewer Districts (WASWD) Board of Director’s meeting on Monday, December 15. He reported that committee appointments were discussed and the group heard a good report about WASWD’s finances. The Executive Director talked about their strategic plan, the 2026 legislative session and new legislators and the ongoing budget deficit. The group also discussed the eminent raid on the Public Works Trust Fund due to the budget deficit and utility issues surrounding the Governor’s proposal to spend millions on new housing. Commissioner McCall stated that the new Ecology Director was invited to attend but declined. He also declined attendance at the Washington PUD Association meeting when invited.

Commissioner Ridge will be virtually attending the Public Power Council meeting on Thursday, January 8, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 a.m.