PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
OF ASOTIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
MEETING MINUTES
October 13, 2026

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.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT Commissioners: Judy Ridge, Greg McCall and Don Nuxoll.

Staff: Tim Simpson, Bob Sischo, Craig Riehle and Lacey Smith.

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 September 22, 2026 Regular Meeting and Payroll Vouchers 2279–2281 and Electronic Payroll Vouchers 8994EFT–9021EFT in the amount of $86,436.82 and Electronic Funds Transfer Vouchers 757–EFT to 798–EFT, Accounts Payable Vouchers 48224–48263 and Electronic Accounts Payable Voucher 26100201–26100203, 26100501–26100505, 26100601, 26100602, 26100801, 26101301, 26102301, 26102302 and 26102601 in the amount of $731,427.05. 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

Resolution 26-575 – Amending the Personnel Policy

The manager presented Resolution 26-575 which provides for amendment of the Personnel Policy. The manager and staff recommended amendments and additions of language to Chapter 7 – Leave from Employment and Chapter 10 – Business Expense Reimbursement. The manager and Director Sischo provided details of the amendments and additions made to the policy answering the Board's questions.

MOTION by Commissioner Don Nuxoll and seconded by Commissioner Greg McCall to approve Resolution 26-575 amending the Personnel Policy. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Award Bid for Wastewater Treatment Plant Biosolids Dump Truck

The manager presented bids for the purchase of a new biosolids tandem axle dump truck for the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP). The current 1992 Mack dump truck had an engine block crack and needed additional repairs. He stated that the 1992 Mack dump truck is rated as heavy duty. To replace this vehicle, at its current rating, the cost would be over $300,000. Staff learned while utilizing the PUD's 12-yard medium duty rated dump truck, that it is adequate to meet the operational requirements of the biosolids processing and transportation. This discovery significantly reduces the cost requirement of a dump truck purchase. Two bids were received for a 12-yard Dump Truck. Bid results include sales tax and delivery; Aria Contracting Sales, 2027 International for $179,312.29 and Lone Star Truck Group, 2026 Freightliner for $181,919.08. Aria Contracting Sales is the lowest bidder for the WWTP biosolids dump truck. The dump truck that they presented would be built upon approval of the bid. The estimated delivery date is April 2027. By year end there will be $124,000 set aside for the replacement of the 1992 Mack dump truck. The remaining $55,000 would be identified in the 2027 annual budget.

Discussion ensued regarding the purchase of a new or used dump truck. The manager and Director Riehle provided detail addressing Commissioner questions regarding the search for a used dump truck and the value of the purchase of a new vehicle with a warranty.

MOTION by Commissioner Greg McCall and seconded by Commissioner Don Nuxoll to table the award of the bid for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Biosolids Dump Truck to the Tuesday, October 27, 2026 regular meeting and directing staff to conduct further research into the purchase of a dump truck. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Water Operations – Installation of the new Clarkston Heights Booster Pump Station Motor Starters is still ongoing. The water crew completed installation of the new water main from the Scenic Hills Reservoir to the valve on Scenic Hills Drive. The main was pressure tested, chlorinated, flushed and the sample taken was satisfactory. The main was tied to the system and the two customer service lines were connected.

Wastewater Operations – Ecology comments on the Wastewater Facility Plan were received yesterday. The sewer crew will be performing two, sewer main point repairs on 2nd Street in Clarkston. This work will require the closure of 2nd Street from 3rd Street to Adams Street.

Administrative Activity – Director Sischo updated the Commission regarding language changes to the Accident Prevention Program Confined Space Entry section and stating that the District's Confined Space Program Manager is the Operations Superintendent.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner McCall attended the Washington PUD Association Water Workshop (WPUDA) and Washington Association of Sewer and Water Districts (WASWD) joint meetings September 27-30. He reported that there were many good sessions and the combined meetings with WASWD and WPUDA were beneficial. Many of the sessions he attended were focused on regulatory and legislative priorities. He reported that Director Sischo was chosen to be a speaker on utility leadership panel.

Commissioner McCall will be attending an Energy Northwest Board meeting and Public Power Forum, October 20-22 in Kennewick, Washington.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.