PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
OF ASOTIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON
MEETING MINUTES
October 27, 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, Craig Riehle and Lacey Smith.

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 October 13, 2026 Regular Meeting and Electronic Payroll Vouchers 9022EFT–9049EFT in the amount of $80,649.41 and Electronic Funds Transfer Vouchers 799–EFT to 821–EFT, Accounts Payable Vouchers 48264–48283 and Electronic Accounts Payable Voucher 26101201 and 26102001–26102003 in the amount of $77,373.45. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Award Bid for Wastewater Treatment Plant Biosolids Dump Truck

The manager stated that at the October 13, 2026 meeting he presented bids received for the purchase of a new biosolids tandem axle dump truck for the Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) to replace the 1992 Mack 14-yard dump truck. After discussion, the Board voted unanimously to table the award of the bid directing staff to complete additional research on a used dump truck and seek a more cost-effective coating for the biosolids dump bed. The manager stated that two memorandums from Craig Riehle, Director of Operations were provided detailing the research and results on used dump trucks and a cost-effective dump bed coating. Director Riehle provided additional details on the research.

The manager stated that after consideration of the used dump trucks researched, he recommended purchasing a new biosolids dump truck for WWTP. Two bids were received for a medium-duty, 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 and Service is the lowest responsible bidder. The dump truck that they presented for bid would be built upon the notice of award. The estimated delivery date is April 2027. The manager stated that by year end there will be $124,000 set aside for the replacement of the 1992 Mack dump truck with the remaining $55,000 identified in the 2027 budget.

The Board asked several questions regarding the used dump truck research and discussed the preferred coating of the dump bed and the timing of application if a new dump truck was purchased.

MOTION by Commissioner Greg McCall and seconded by Commissioner Don Nuxoll to award the bid for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Biosolids Dump Truck to Aria Contracting Sales and Service in the amount of $179,312.29. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

NEW BUSINESS

There were no items presented under New Business.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Water Operations – Installation of the new Clarkston Heights Booster Pump Station Motor Starters is complete. Final testing will be conducted Wednesday, October 28.

Wastewater Operations – The 2027 Sewer Main Replacement Project design plan is 100% complete and are under detailed PUD review. Final bidding documents will be completed by October 30, with advertising by November 4. A pre-bid meeting will be on November 10, with bids due November 24. The contract will allow flexibility in the 2027 construction start date. Staff will establish an appropriate completion period after work begins to avoid extended gaps between schedules.

Administrative Activity – The City of Asotin Well No. 1 rebuild is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, November 17. City confirmation remains pending along with clarifications of the scope of work provided.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner McCall attended an Energy Northwest Board meeting and Public Power Forum, October 20-22 in Kennewick, Washington. He reported that a joint meeting of the regular Board, the Executive Board and the New Nuclear LLC group was held. The discussion of the meeting focused on the ownership structure of the Cascade Advanced Energy Facility. At the joint meeting of the regular Board and Executive Board the group heard an update from the Bonneville Power Administration and authorization of non-participant membership was approved. At the Public Power Forum the group heard from a keynote speaker regarding the environmental movement through the decades and in the breakout sessions legislation, local control, new nuclear energy and transmission projects were discussed.

Commissioner Nuxoll and Director Sischo will be attending the Public Utility Risk Management System semi-annual meetings on November 4-5 in Seattle, Washington.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:10 p.m.