

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1  
OF ASOTIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
MEETING MINUTES  
October 12, 2010

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President Gary Hicks 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.

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ROLL CALL: PRESENT    Commissioners: Gary Hicks and Don Nuxoll.

PUD Staff: General Manager Tim Simpson and Treasurer Bob Sischo.

Members of the public were present.

MINUTES OF MEETING AND VOUCHER APPROVAL:

**MOTION** by Commissioner Don Nuxoll and seconded by Commissioner Gary Hicks to approve the consent agenda giving approval of the minutes of the September 27, 2010 Regular Meeting and October 4, 2010 Budget Hearing and payment of the Transaction Vouchers covering vouchers #1696 and 1697 and #1799EFT through #1813EFT in the amount of \$27,353.54 and Blanket Transaction Voucher Approval Document covering vouchers #28403 through #28468, and Electronic Transaction Vouchers #20101022, #10100401, #10100402, #10100502, #10100601, #10102901 and #10102902 in the amount of \$151,945.81. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Property and Liability Insurance

The general manager presented information from the PUDs insurance carrier Public Utility Rick Management System (PURMS) regarding the proposed new calculations for liability and property assessments. The manager stated that the new calculations will result in approximately \$4,220.00 savings for the PUD. The change in the assessment formulae, which will mostly benefit smaller PURMS members, will require an update to the Self Insurance Agreement (SIA). Commissioner Nuxoll questioned whether our PUD will see a resolution changing the SIA before the November annual PURMS meeting. The treasurer and manager were directed to look into the matter.

At the previous meeting the manager was directed to research what our costs would be if we had another insurance carrier handle our property and liability insurance. The

manager reported that he contacted Thurston PUD seeking information regarding the carrier they were switching to, the current cost versus their future costs, the amount of property being covered and their overall savings by making the switch. The manager reported that in 2011 Thurston is moving their property and liability coverage to Washington Cities Insurance Authority (WCIA). The move will save them approximately 50% in insurance costs. They are currently paying \$36,596 in 2010 to PURMS. Thurston's estimated cost with WCIA in 2011 will be 18,040. With the formulae changes with PURMS the net savings will be approximately \$13,295. The Asotin PUD has paid \$31,678 to date for property and liability insurance through PURMS. The manager stated that it is hard to compare apples to apples in this situation because Thurston has 30 plus separate water systems and the coverage they will be receiving from WCIA may not be comparable to PURMS. Commissioner Nuxoll stated that the information from Thurston was adequate to take back and discuss with the PURMS members at the annual meeting in November.

#### NEW BUSINESS

##### Change the Tuesday October 26, 2010 Meeting Date to Monday October 25, 2010

The manager stated that due to a scheduling conflict with Energy Northwest Board of Directors meetings, Commissioner Ridge requested that the meeting scheduled for Tuesday, October 26, 2010 be changed to Monday, October 25, 2010 beginning at 5:30 pm.

**MOTION** by Commissioner Don Nuxoll and seconded by Commissioner Gary Hicks to change the Board of Commissioner meeting date from Tuesday, October 26, 2010 to Monday, October 25, 2010 beginning at 5:30 pm. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 2-0.

#### MANAGER'S REPORT

SCADA System RFP – the manager reported that a Request for Proposal has been advertised for the development and installation of three (3) SCADA system units for our wastewater collection system lift stations located on Bridge Street, Westwind Village and 18<sup>th</sup> Street.

City of Asotin Intertie – the manager reported that the crew has installed the meter vault and approximately 800 feet of water main for the intertie between the City of Asotin and the PUD. In addition two hydrants have been placed in front of JETCO with one of them being charged with water in order to provide fire flow for the building.

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COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

No reports were made.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 pm.