PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF ASOTIN COUNTY, WASHINGTON MEETING MINUTES March 10, 2015

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.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT Commissioners: Gary Hicks, Don Nuxoll and Judy Ridge.

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 Judy Ridge and seconded by Commissioner Don Nuxoll to approve the consent agenda approving the minutes of the February 24, 2015 Regular Meeting and payment of the Transaction Vouchers covering vouchers #1827 and #1828 and vouchers #3419EFT through #3436EFT in the amount of \$33,837.70 and Blanket Transaction Voucher Approval Document covering vouchers #34205 through #34273, and Electronic Transaction Vouchers #15030301, #15030302, #15030501, #15030502, #15031601, #15031901# and #15031902 in the amount of \$243,833.80. The question was called for on the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

OLD BUSINESS

Port of Wilma Large Onsite Sewage System Bid Results

The manager reported that the Port of Whitman County opened bids on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 for the construction of a Large Onsite Sewage System (LOSS) at the Port of Wilma. Five (5) bids were received with Rraco, Inc. from Spokane submitting the lowest bid. The highest bid was \$265,000. The port is reviewing the bids to make sure bidders provided all required items. An announcement will be made soon as to who is the lowest responsible bidder. He reported that PUD employees were in the Port last week surveying the sewer system when they discovered several feet of sewer backed up in the sewer system near Lift Station No. 1. A fuse was replaced and the unit was made operational. Both the Lift Stations have had intermittent problems and will be upgraded by the PUD at the Port's expense as part of the sewer system improvement. A pump supply company was onsite yesterday to assess what is needed for the lift stations. They will provide a cost estimate for the necessary items which will be presented to the Port for approval.

Private Well at 1504 Meadowlark Terrace

Commissioners tabled discussion on this issue until the regular meeting on March 24th.

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NEW BUSINESS

There were no items presented under New Business.

MANAGER'S REPORT

<u>Heights Reservoirs Interior Recoating Project</u> – the manager reported that the interior recoating of the two-million gallon reservoir is moving slower due to the breakdown of equipment. The contractor is sand blasting the roof and applying the primer coat. Recoating of the 2 mg reservoir should be completed by month end and online in April.

<u>Main Line Project – 19th Street</u> – the manager reported that last week operations staff completed the installation of 650 feet of 6-inch PVC line on 19th Street replacing a leaking 1950 2-inch galvanized line. Samples were taken from the water main, were found satisfactory and all 10 customer service lines were tied into the main last Friday. The crew completed the installation by tying over the water main today.

<u>County Stormwater Drain Line Usage</u> – the manager reported that he was contacted by the County Stormwater Program today. They have received funding for their project and want to proceed with the 18th Avenue Water Drain line Usage Agreement.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Commissioner Ridge attended the Public Power Council meetings Wednesday and Thursday, March 4-5 in Portland, Oregon. She stated that the meetings were intense but good with many regional and federal energy issues discussed.

Commissioner Nuxoll attended a Watershed Planning Unit meeting Thursday, February 26 at the PUD office. The group is moving forward with updating stream flow data. The manager provided an update regarding the transfer of watershed lead to another entity.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 6:07 p.m.