

April 4, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of PUD No. One of Wahkiakum County, Washington was held on the above date with Board President Dennis Reid presiding. Also in attendance were Board Vice President Eugene Healy, Board Secretary Robert Jungers, General Manager Daniel Kay, Auditor Erin Wilson, Attorney Tim Hanigan, and Secretary Desiree Conroy.

The meeting convened at 8:30 a.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

Wahkiakum Eagle Newspaper Reporter Diana Zimmerman, and the general public attended by Zoom teleconference.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Commissioner Healy moved to approve the agenda as submitted and Commissioner Jungers seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Commissioner Jungers made a motion to approve adjourning the meeting before the closed session and Commissioner Healy seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

Commissioner Jungers made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 21, 2023 as submitted and Commissioner Healy seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

**APPROVAL OF FINANCES:**

With regard to the following electric and water vouchers submitted by Auditor Erin Wilson, Commissioner Healy made a motion to approve the vouchers for electric and water as submitted. Commissioner Jungers seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

Total Vouchers Approved:        \$170,421.39

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

None.

**OPEN DISCUSSION**

Commissioner Reid commented that he had two PUD customers contact him this last week regarding their positive interaction with the PUD. Discussion ensued.

## **DISCUSSION TOPIC:**

### ***Long Range Planning***

Manager Kay commented that Auditor Wilson found some webinar classes to join, one of which included long term financial improvement.

Manager Kay thanked Auditor Wilson while he was out of town for her extreme helpfulness regarding the grants they have been applying for.

Manager Kay explained that the PUD could use some more poles right now however he believes they are set with transformers and wires as they have more arriving later this year. Discussion ensued.

## **REPORTS:**

### ***Attorney Hanigan:***

Attorney Hanigan reminded the meeting that a motion to change the date and time of a future meeting will need to happen.

Commissioner Jungers made a motion to move the regular PUD meeting on April 18th at 8:30 a.m. to April 17th at 8:00 a.m. Commissioner Healy seconded the motion. The motion passed 3-0.

### ***Manager Kay:***

Manager Kay commented that there is nothing shattering in the Legislative Session that is coming up, however there are two bills worth keeping an eye on: The Wildfire Mitigation Bill and the Heat Shutoff Bill. Discussion ensued regarding the Heat Shutoff Bill.

Manager Kay reported that there should be interesting discussions this week regarding Bonneville Power Administration. Bonneville came back with a proposal regarding the 2028 contract which moves into a 60-day public comment period. Adding now till July it is very important that we are attentive to BPA. Discussion ensued.

Manager Kay reported last fall there were 3 specific trees that caused a lot of damage and outages in Cathlamet. He solicited quotes from 4 contractors and awarded to Nielsen Maintenance. He commented that he has been working with the property owner and the contractor to get these trees removed.

Manager Kay reported that he has been working with Auditor Wilson on grants and funding regarding the Puget Island Alternate Water Source. Discussion ensued.

Manager Kay reported that he attended the PPC meeting with Commissioner Healy this week, next week he will attend the WPUA meeting with Commissioner Reid.

***Auditor Wilson:***

Auditor Wilson reported that she participated in a GFOA Cash Flow Forecasting webinar and that she and Manager Kay participated in a GFOA webinar on implementing a Capital Improvement Plan.

Auditor Wilson reported that the Congressional Direct Spending Grant is a completely different process than what they have encountered before.

Auditor Wilson commented that she will soon be meeting with the PUD's IT consultant to discuss the meeting room remodel and the audio/visual needs which will help direct the electrical needs.

***Commissioner Jungers:***

Commissioner Jungers commented that he is going to take advantage of their guest who will be joining next week. He is hoping to get answers on why we have deserted SMR. Discussion ensued.

***Commissioner Healy:***

Commissioner Healy reported that he attended the COG meeting via Zoom on the 23<sup>rd</sup> and the PPC meeting on the 30<sup>th</sup>. He added that the PPC meeting went over the power loss regarding the spill. Discussion ensued.

Commissioner Healy reported one of the guests for this week's PPC meeting is the Southwest Power Pool. Discussion ensued.

***Commissioner Reid:***

Commissioner Reid reported that he will be attending WPUA next week via Zoom on one day, and possibly in person the other 2 days.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 9:07 a.m.

**Closed Session:**

Commissioner Reid adjourned the regular meeting at 9:07 a.m. to enter into a closed session to discuss Collective Bargaining – RCW 42.30.140(4)(B)

There is no action or decision expected.

The next regular meeting is April 17, 2023 at 8:00 a.m. in the PUD meeting room.

Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting of April 4, 2023.

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**Dennis Reid**, President

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**Eugene Healy**, Vice President

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**Robert Jungers**, Secretary