



CHELAN COUNTY

# Commissioner Werner Janssen: Man of Peace

**The Roots of Violence:**

**Wealth without work,  
Pleasure without conscience,  
Knowledge without character,  
Commerce without morality,  
Science without humanity,  
Worship without sacrifice,  
Politics without principles.**

**MOHANDAS K. GANDHI**

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# Werner Janssen: as presented in the Wenatchee World



**January 21, 2004** after a public meeting attended by nearly 300 people

**"I think the main thing is that maybe people will see that if they get involved, something can happen," he said after the meeting. "I hope it starts something."**

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**June 29, 2004** declaration as a candidate...

**Leavenworth resident Werner Janssen, leader of the watchdog group, PUD Concerned Citizens, said this morning that he will run for the at-large District A position...**



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**August 29, 2004** as the candidate...

**Asked why voters should chose him,  
Janssen cited his background in  
management and engineering and his  
work as leader of the watchdog group,  
PUD Concerned Citizens.**



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**September 15, 2004** following the primary election...

**"With the concerns that I have in terms of the management of the PUD and the way things are operating down there, the voters obviously feel the same way," he said Tuesday night.**



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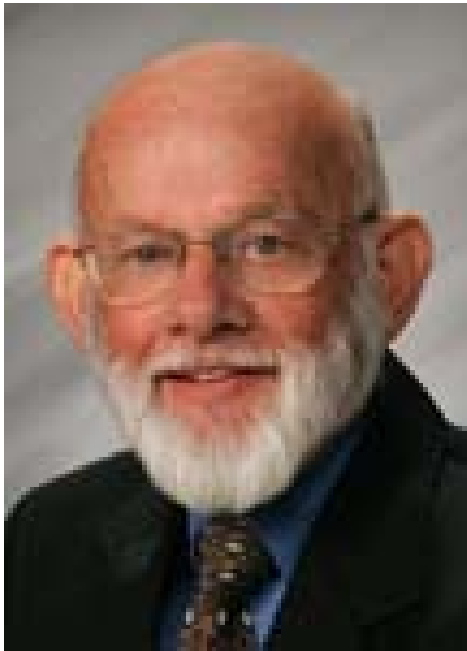
**November 8, 2004** following the general election...

- **Werner Janssen, who was elected last Tuesday to fill the commission seat being vacated by Dave Pflugrath, said he wants to feel out the other commissioners to "find out if they are open at all to any changes."**



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January 4, 2005 swearing in day...



- **Janssen said he "thoroughly enjoyed" his first day.**

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July 29, 2005 evaluation 'dust up' ...

- **"I have very strong convictions that, right or wrong, will not allow me to participate," Janssen told The Wenatchee World on Wednesday.**



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**October 20, 2005** leadership change...

- **"I had some real questions on (Hosken's) management style. I don't think it's appropriate to say negative things at this point since it's likely that he'll be leaving. I think the main thing is the employees indicated a concern," Janssen said Wednesday.**



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**March 15, 2006** all things possible...

- **Boyd and Janssen cause stir by teaming up on vote: Chuckles ensue over odd couple, but pair end up on losing side in PUD spending issue**



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**January 3, 2007** a new commission...

- **Gutzwiler was elected board president Monday. Commissioner Ann Congdon, Manson, was elected vice president and Werner Janssen, Leavenworth, secretary.**



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**June 12, 2007** independent as ever...

- **Commissioners Dennis Bolz and Werner Janssen favored management's recommended slower buildout, but both favored the focus on rural communities. Commission President Norm Gutzwiler broke the tie by also voting in favor of the current buildout plan.**



June 12, 2007 speaking his mind...



- **Commissioner Werner Janssen cast the only dissenting vote on the package of increases. Janssen said he would prefer to see water and sewer increases also lowered to 5 percent.**

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**October 23, 2007** first Alcoa vote...

- **"I'm not sure a 17-year contract is something we want to do," Janssen said, postulating that a rise in power prices someday could have the PUD getting less from Alcoa than it could on the open market.**



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# December 4, 2007 second Alcoa vote...

- **Commissioners approved the terms of the power agreement by a 4-1 vote. Only Commissioner Werner Janssen voted no after insisting that commissioners and the public should have had more time to study the deal.**



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May 13, 2008

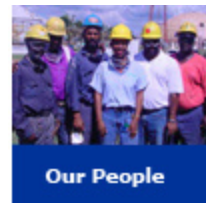
all things possible...

- **Commissioners Werner Janssen and Norm Gutzwiler voted against the proposal. Janssen said the utility's approving new, private-use docks on public-use PUD land is unfair to most PUD ratepayers who'll no longer have access to the land. He also said he'd received e-mails from some state officials who expressed concern over the docks' threat to fish.**



# July 15, 2008 third Alcoa vote...

- **“I’m still concerned with the 17-year contract, but maybe we don’t have any choice with that. Part of the concern is the Chelan PUD guaranteeing Alcoa 17 years of good power, but ... there’s no guarantee of 17 years of operation or even major upgrading of the plant. I guess I worry a little for the employees of the area.”**



# August 6, 2008 environmental concerns...

- **Commissioner Werner Janssen said he supports adding stronger language in favor of alternative-power development to the plan. He said he also favors more direct PUD investment in solar power, even if it doesn't initially make money.**



# November 5, 2008 election 2008...

- Janssen conceded that his opponent would likely win the election. “I don’t think the results will probably change,” he said. “I represented many people in Chelan County who really care about the PUD and recognize that the board needs to have one and maybe in the future two or three people who represent a divergence of feeling within Chelan County.”



# December 2, 2008 always graceful...

- Janssen presented each of his fellow commissioners and commissioner-elect Carnan Bergren with a ceramic coffee mug displaying the PUD logo. “A lot of it was just to say ‘thank you’ and at the same time make the point that instead of using disposable cups, the board can be an example to cut down on waste,” Janssen said after the meeting.



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# December 15, 2008

- CHINESE PROVERB:

One generation plants the trees;  
another gets the shade.

Thanks Werner for representing future generations...the shade will be appreciated!

