

**Minutes of the Special Meeting (Chelan County Tri-Commission)  
of the Commission  
of Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, Washington  
June 5, 2018**

The special meeting of the Commission, of Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, Washington, was held at the Confluence Technology Center, 285 Technology Center Way, Wenatchee, Washington, on June 5, 2018, at the hour of 1:00 pm, pursuant to proper notice thereof.

**Chelan County PUD Commissioners present:**

Garry Arseneault  
Dennis Bolz  
Steve McKenna  
Randy Smith

**Chelan County PUD Staff present:**

Steve Wright  
Chad Rissman  
Tracy Yount  
John Stoll  
Kim Craig  
Rebekah Garfein  
Lindsey Mohns  
Shaun Seaman  
Jeff Smith  
Erik Wahlquist  
Jenna Rahm

**Port of Chelan County Commissioners and Staff present:**

Pat Jones, Executive Director  
Donn Etherington  
JC Baldwin  
Rory Turner  
Jim Kuntz  
Cami Harris

**Others present:**

Mike Cooney, Chelan Mayor  
John Alt, Entiat Mayor  
Allison Williams, Wenatchee Exec. Services Director  
Steve King, Wenatchee Economic Dev. Director  
Jerrilea Crawford, Wenatchee Valley Chamber  
Linda Haglund, Wenatchee Downtown Assoc. Exec. Dir.  
Craig Davis  
Bob Bugert  
Aubyn Honeysett  
Roberto Ocampo  
Tavis Hamilton  
Greg Oakes, WACC Advocacy Committee  
Bridget Mire, Wenatchee World  
Jefferson Robbins, iFiber

**Chelan County Commissioners and Staff present:**

Kevin Overbay  
Doug England  
Mitch Reister

**Call To Order**

- Chelan County PUD Vice President, Garry Arseneault, called the meeting to order at 1:00pm

**Pledge of Allegiance**

- Rory Turner, Port of Chelan County Commissioner, led the pledge

**Port of Chelan County Update** (see [www.chelanpud.org](http://www.chelanpud.org) for presentation)

- Pat Jones, Executive Director, reviewed development projects including the Cashmere Mill Site, Pybus Annex, and Executive Flight Buildings

- Financial issues related to Pangborn Memorial Airport were noted; funding and governance continues to be a challenge
- The Port continues economic development partnerships

### **Chelan County Update**

- Mitch Reister gave an update on a proposed County/PUD partnership for electrical service connections and building permits; this has been identified as an area with opportunity for improvement
- Commissioners are developing zoning and the County is working with the PUD on availability of service
- The County is exploring cluster developments for future growth with space reserved for substations

### **Chelan County PUD Updates**

- Cryptocurrency Discussion (see [www.chelanpud.org](http://www.chelanpud.org) for presentation)
  - Lindsey Mohns, Customer Utilities Business Manager, reviewed how cryptocurrency could affect other growth along with substation capacity and rate issues
  - The PUD is seeking a solution that solves those risks while partnering with miners
- Joint Planning for Electrical Load Growth (see [www.chelanpud.org](http://www.chelanpud.org) for presentation)
  - Chad Rissman, Director District Asset Management, discussed infrastructure planning
  - Continue to look for capacity for siting large requests
  - Studies take up to a year; it takes us 3-5 years to build a substation, although private companies have completed those in closer to 18-24 months
- Wenatchee Works Status Report
  - Steve Wright, General Manager, gave an update on the Alcoa contract
    - Alcoa would have had to be operating for 30 days by June 18 to delay further payment on the contract; since that cannot be accomplished at this point, the \$62 million payment is due once that deadline passes
    - This payment does not alter our strategic plan
- Long Range Facilities Planning
  - Steve Wright, General Manager, gave an update on the long-term facility plans
  - An analysis of strategic facilities plan was completed which focused on solutions that create the most long-term value
  - Options with the least cost over the life of the facilities would be new buildings and reinvestment in some structures at Rocky Reach and Rock Island along with a consolidated Headquarters and Operations Center in Olds Station
  - Rocky Reach and Rock Island facilities plans were approved by Commissioners along with an alternative contracting mechanism
  - Next steps include property acquisition, design work for the Headquarters and Operations Center, and working with downtown stakeholders on the future of the current Headquarters campus
- Planning for Climate Change Impacts (see [www.chelanpud.org](http://www.chelanpud.org) for presentation)
  - Shaun Seaman, Government/External Affairs Program Manager, reviewed information for Lake Chelan and the Columba
  - Scenario data is used in operations management plans, vulnerabilities assessments, and developing response strategies

### **News from the Mayors**


- Mike Cooney, Chelan Mayor, thanked the PUD for their contribution toward improvement of the property next to the one-way bridge
  - Working on open space planning to protect views, lake access, etc.
  - Mayor Cooney noted that cities rely on grants and other funding for infrastructure improvements
  - Chelan is one month into curb-side recycling

- Discussion continues on how to address home availability challenges
- Mayor Cooney recognized Shaun Sherman, who independently collected 10 yards of trash out of the Chelan River this spring
- John Alt, Entiat Mayor, reports they are working with the PUD on a substation project
  - The Entiat Marina project is going to FERC for final approval next Monday


**Other Updates**

- JC Baldwin, Port Commissioner, expressed thanks to Jeff Smith for organizing the Tri-Commission meeting for the last 12 years; Jeff will be retiring from the PUD on June 30

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 2:15pm.



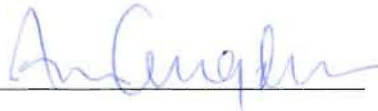
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