

# Minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting of Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, Washington January 10, 2022

The regular meeting of the Commission, of Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, Washington, was held in the office of the District, 327 N. Wenatchee Avenue, Wenatchee, Washington, on January 10, 2022, at the hour of 1:00pm, pursuant to proper notice via email from President McKenna on January 5, 2022.

**Commissioners present:** Steve McKenna, President (by phone)  
Garry Arseneault  
Dennis Bolz (by phone)  
Ann Congdon (by phone)  
Randy Smith (by phone)

**Staff present:** Kirk Hudson, General Manager  
Erik Wahlquist, General Counsel  
Rebekah Neumann, Clerk of the Board  
Various staff

**Others present:** Randy Brooks, Plug In NCW  
Bill Ehrlich, Tesla

## Call to Order

- President McKenna called the meeting to order at 1:02pm

## Pledge of Allegiance and Safety/HPI Minute

- Chad Dulac, Technical Document Specialist, led the pledge and provided information on the implementation of HPI principles in the technical library documents

## Agenda

- Resolution 8 was moved to the consent agenda; the agenda was approved as revised

## Public Hearing – Electric Vehicle DC Fast Charging Rate

(see Chelan PUD website for presentation)

- Public hearing started at 1:28pm
- Andrew Grassell, Energy Development and Conservation Manager, reviewed information provided to date along with staff responses to customer comments
- Heard and answered public questions and received comments from Tesla

### MOTION

Moved by: Commissioner Arseneault

Seconded by: Commissioner Bolz

To continue the public hearing to 1:00pm on Monday, January 24, 2022

Approved: Unanimously

- Public hearing ended at 1:53pm

### **Quarterly Fish and Wildlife Update**

(see Chelan PUD website for presentation)

- Alene Underwood, Fish & Wildlife Manager, Thad Mosey, Senior Fisheries Biologist, and Scott Hopkins, Fisheries Biologist II, provided information on 2021 fish counts and bull trout study
- Highlighted 10-year average fish counts at Rock Island
- Two reports on bull trout have been submitted to the Rocky Reach fish forum; reviewed preliminary observations and next steps
- Discussed recent reports of ocean conditions

### **Consent Agenda**

(see Chelan PUD website for resolutions)

President McKenna presented the consent agenda, which included the following items:

- Minutes of the December 20, 2021 Regular Meeting and December 30, 2021 Special Meeting
- Vouchers: Accounts Payable Summary Report dated January 5, 2022:
  - Vouchers totaling \$34,876,313.31;
  - Approval of Customer Deposit Returns and Conservation Incentive payments for the period December 15, 2021 through January 4, 2022 in the amount of \$103,936.51.
  - Approval of the net Payroll, Warrant Nos. 237696 through 237709 and Advice Nos. 727015 through 727770 for the pay period ending December 19, 2021 in the amount of \$2,482,252.94.
  - Approval of Warrant Nos. 28156 through 28192 totaling \$8,874.31 for claim payments from the workers' compensation self-insurance fund for the period ending January 3, 2022.
- Resolution 8. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO SERVICES AGREEMENT (SA NO. 19-10311) WITH MEAD & HUNT, INC. TO PROVIDE FERC PART 12 ENGINEERING SERVICES

#### **MOTION**

Moved by: Commissioner Smith

Seconded by: Commissioner Bolz

To approve the consent agenda as revised to include Resolution 8

Approved: Unanimously

### **Resolution 9**

(see Chelan PUD website for resolutions)

- George Velazquez, Engineering and Project Management Manager, presented Resolution 9
- Resolution 9. A RESOLUTION REJECTING THE BID OF LEEWENS CORPORATION AND ACCEPTING THE BID OF COMBINED CONSTRUCTION, INC OF MUKILTEO, WA FOR ROCKY REACH HYDRO CONCRETE REPAIRS (BID 21-21)

#### **MOTION**

Moved by: Commissioner Smith

Seconded by: Commissioner Congdon

To approve Resolution 9 as presented

Approved: Unanimously

### **Manager Items**

- Kerri Wendell, Customer Relations Manager, provided a COVID19 customer impacts report
  - Great progress has been made; plan to sunset this monthly report review by exception
  - Kerri also noted that Customer Service will be closed on Monday, January 17 for staff training
- Dan Frazier, Director of Shared Services, provided an update on tree removal at Old Mill Park
  - A stand of non-native trees was identified for Firewise landscaping; contractor removed all trees other than pine and cottonwood

- Staff is developing a replanting plan with the help of the District arborist and biologists to be both Firewise and provide appropriate habitat
- Dan Moser, Director of Distribution and Fiber Operations, reported on recent weather impacts
  - Dan gave a summary of weather events over the last week; crews are still working near the summit of Stevens pass
  - Dan expressed appreciation everyone’s patience allowing us to make sure areas are safe for crews
  - Commissioners and General Manager Kirk Hudson offered kudos to the employees; this was a team effort across the organization

**Commissioner Travel**

- Lisa Sanders, Legal Administrative Assistant, reviewed upcoming Commissioner travel

**Commission Items**

- 2022 Association Representation
  - Commissioners confirmed association representatives for 2022 as presented
- Commissioner Arseneault welcomed Kirk as our new General Manager; recognized his dedication to excellence and commitment to the best for the most for the longest

**Follow up on Delegation of Action Items from 12/20/21 Board meeting**

- Rebekah Neumann will provide a hard copy of today’s PGP presentation to all Commissioners – completed 12/20/21

**Delegation of Action Items**

- None

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 2:42pm.

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President

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Vice President

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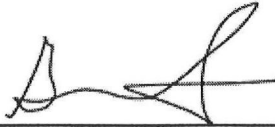
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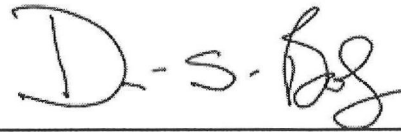
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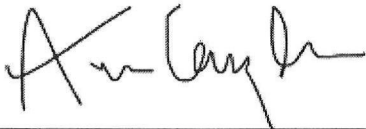
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Garry Arseneault - Board Member  
Approved on 1/28/2022 8:35AM PST



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Dennis Bolz - Board Member  
Approved on 1/29/2022 3:27PM PST



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Ann Congdon - Board Member  
Approved on 1/31/2022 5:11PM PST



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Steve McKenna - Board Member  
Approved on 1/26/2022 1:45PM PST



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Randy Smith - Board Member  
Approved on 1/25/2022 6:04AM PST