

Minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting of Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, Washington August 2, 2021

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 August 2, 2021, at the hour of 10:00 am, pursuant to proper notice thereof.

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

Staff present: Steve Wright, General Manager
Erik Wahlquist, General Counsel
Rebekah Neumann, Clerk of the Board
Various staff

Guests present: Alan Walker, Louise Johnson, and Kristi Hills from Chelan Douglas Community Action Council

Call to Order

- President Smith called the meeting to order at 10:00am

Pledge of Allegiance and Safety/HPI Minute

- Brett Sanford, Senior Safety and Health Coordinator, led the pledge and provided information on recommendations from a recent learning team

Agenda

- The agenda was approved as presented

CPO (Cycle of Personal Ownership) Winner Recognition

(see Chelan PUD website for presentation)

- Steve Wright, General Manager, recognized Nate Hill, Senior Systems Analyst

Chelan Douglas Community Action Council (CDCAC) Update

(see Chelan PUD website for presentation)

- CDCAC staff Alan Walker, Executive Director, Kristi Hills, Deputy Director, and Louise Johnson, Fiscal Director, provided an update on CDCAC activities
- Services are available at no cost to low-income Chelan and Douglas county residents
- Highlighted PUD/CDCAC partnership
- Reviewed funding sources, including Chelan PUD support
- Summarized weatherization, energy assistance programs, and senior/disabled discounts
- Working to decrease energy burden and increase energy efficiency in Chelan and Douglas counties

Quarterly Board Balanced Scorecard Update

(see Chelan PUD website for presentation)

- Commissioners reviewed items not yet completed

Quarterly District Performance Plan Update

(see Chelan PUD website for presentation)

- Managing directors reviewed Q2 metrics completed or delayed
- 76% of metrics are on track or completed
- Reviewed the fiber portal replacement project

Consent Agenda

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

- Minutes of the July 19, 2021 Regular Meeting, July 20, 2021 Special Meeting and the July 21, 2021 Special Meeting
- Vouchers: Accounts Payable Summary Report dated July 28, 2021:
 - Vouchers totaling \$27,848,382.99;
 - Approval of Customer Deposit Returns and Conservation Incentive payments for the period July 14, 2021 through July 27, 2021 in the amount of \$18,990.39.
 - Approval of the net Payroll, Warrant Nos. 237545 through 237557 and Advice Nos. 718289 through 719094 for the pay period ending July 18, 2021 in the amount of \$2,296,077.95.
 - Approval of Warrant Nos. 27715 through 27754 totaling \$3,050.48 for claim payments from the workers' compensation self-insurance fund for the period ending July 26, 2021.
 - Approval of Parks Reservation System customer refunds for the period July 7, 2021 through July 23, 2021 in the amount of \$3,972.28.
 - Approval of debt service paid with reserve account interest earnings of \$616.08 for the period July 1, 2021 through July 31, 2021.

Moved by: Commissioner Arseneault

Seconded by: Commissioner Bolz

To accept the consent agenda as presented

Approved: Unanimously

Resolution 9

(see Chelan PUD website for resolutions)

- Dan Frazier, Director of Shared Services, presented Resolution 9
- Resolution 9. A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH THE CHELAN DOUGLAS REGIONAL PORT AUTHORITY RELATING TO REDEVELOPMENT PLANNING AND MARKETING OF THE FIFTH STREET PUD CAMPUS PROPERTY

MOTION

Moved by: Commissioner McKenna

Seconded by: Commissioner Congdon

To approve Resolution 9 as presented

Approved: Unanimously

Manager Items

- Jenna Rahm, Customer Outreach Specialist I, reviewed the connection fee outreach proposal
 - Exploring ways for growth to pay for growth in response to strategic plan feedback
 - Reviewed proposed outreach components

- John Stoll, Managing Director of Customer Utilities, gave an update on squirrel incidents
 - Experiencing a higher level of squirrel-related outages than we have historically
 - Our system is well-designed and protected
 - When a squirrel creates a fault, a reclosure device protects the system
 - Engineering is looking at that process, as it does create a disturbance for customers
 - Considering more protections, including animal guards, and alternatives that may impact a smaller group, but for a longer duration
- Justin Erickson, Managing Director of District Services, gave an update on Wenatchee Riverfront Park feedback
 - Themes include: more areas for kids, more year-round activity, facilitation of vendors/restaurants, ability to engage with the river, moorage facility suggestions, more gathering spaces, and enhancing landscaping and public art
 - The online feedback survey is open until August 10; will then develop a more detailed enhancement plan with a second open house in September
 - A draft plan and presentation to the Board and Wenatchee City Council will likely be given in November
- Chad Rissman, Director of Distribution Asset Management, and Erik Wahlquist, General Counsel, gave an update on the Hawley Street substation
 - Hawley street has been energized and is serving Diamond Foundry load
 - Reviewed need for station, construction timeline, and agreement terms
 - The District now owns the substation and will operate it as part of our ordinary fleet

Commission Travel

- Lisa Sanders, Legal Administrative Assistant, reviewed upcoming meeting and travel arrangements

Follow up on Delegation of Action Items from 7/19/21 Board meeting

- John Stoll to provide Manager Item update on outreach plan regarding proposed connection fees for electric, water and wastewater hookups – presented as a manager item today

Delegation of Action Items

- Justin Erickson will send Commissioners the link to the online Riverfront Park survey – sent 8/2/21
- Andrew Grassell will follow up with Alan Walker on further partnership opportunities with the Chelan Douglas Community Action Council

Recess at 11:53am, Reconvene at 1:00pm

Executive Session

President Smith convened an executive session at approximately 1:00pm to discuss with legal counsel agency enforcement actions, litigation, potential litigation to which the District or its board is, or is likely to become, a party, and/or legal risks, as authorized by RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), to evaluate the qualifications of an applicant for public employment and to review the performance of a public employee, as authorized by RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) for approximately 60 minutes.

Regular Session Reconvened at 1:27pm

President Smith stated no votes were taken and no decisions were made during Executive Session

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 1:28pm.

President

Vice President

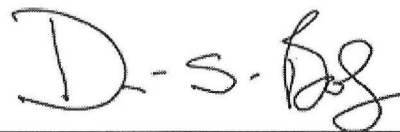
Secretary

Commissioner

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Garry Arseneault - Board Member
Approved on 10/25/2021 9:40AM
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Dennis Bolz - Board Member
Approved on 10/20/2021 12:53PM
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Ann Congdon - Board Member
Approved on 10/19/2021 8:01AM
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Randy Smith - Board Member
Approved on 10/18/2021 4:39PM
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