

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF DECEMBER 14, 2010
OF
PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
OF
THURSTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

The first regular meeting for December 2010 of the Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 was called to order on Tuesday December 14, 2010, at 921 Lakeridge Way SW, Suite 201, Olympia WA 98502, commencing at 5:00 p.m. Commissioners Alan Corwin, Paul Pickett and Chris Stearns were present. Also present were Julie Parker, the District's Chief Financial Officer (CFO), Kim Gubbe, the District's Operations Manager, , and Jennifer Anderson, Clerk to the Board. John Weidenfeller the District's General Manager (GM) and Tom McDonald, the District's Attorney were excused from the meeting.

Commissioner Stearns called the general meeting to order at 5:08 p.m.

Approval of agenda:

No changes were made to the agenda.

Consent Calendar:

Improvement Authorizations – None

Approval of Minutes: October 26, 2010

Prequalification of Contractors – Small Works Roster

Black Hills Tree Service

Rognlin's Inc.

Wm. Dickson Co.

Lakeside Industries, Inc.

Lassen Electric

Holt Services, Inc.

Marine Holdings Co., DBA Ballard Diving

Northwest Underwater Construction, LLC

Travel Approvals – None

Other –

Voucher Approval

1) Accounts Payable 11/24/2010, 12/1/2010, 12/8/2010

2) Payroll 12/6/2010

Resolutions:

Commissioner Corwin moved to approve the Consent Calendar, Commissioner Pickett seconded and all approved.

Public Comment

Thomas W. Nogler, 1325 10th Avenue S.E. Olympia, Washington 98501-1629 addressed the Board. He spoke about his past involvement with running for PUD Commissioner and other involvement in electric utility issues. He expressed his opinion in favor of moving forward with feasibility study to evaluate a potential PUD role in electric utility service in Thurston County.

He noted that his views were presented as an individual and not as a member of any organization.

Presentations

Staff Presentations:

General Manager's Report: John Weidenfeller, GM

In his absence, the GM presented a written report. The CFO provided additional information. At Commissioner Pickett's request she addressed the office move and noted it was accomplished within budget and that we are awaiting the installation of doors and the security window. A list of surplus office items was provided and various means of disposal were discussed. The Board confirmed that staff should feel free to use the large meeting room for transitional storage if it helps with cost-savings and efficiency.

She also confirmed that the disconnection process is working well through the changes that were implemented in October.

The Board requested that the GM modify his bimonthly report to include only new developments since the last meeting.

Operations Manager's Report: Kim Gubbe, Operations Manager

The OM provided a written report. OM Gubbe noted that the PUD had no pipes made of lead (in response to a recent AWWA alert), and that permanent chlorination was likely being added to the Cornerstone system improvements.

Chief Financial Officer's Report: Julie Parker, CFO

The CFO had no report.

Legal Report: Tom McDonald, PUD Attorney

Mr. McDonald was excused from the meeting.

Action Items:

Resolutions:

Resolution 10-62 2010 Budget Amendment

The CFO provided a written budget amendment and explained the changes.

Commissioner Pickett moved to approve Resolution 10-62 2010 Budget Amendment, seconded by Commissioner Corwin and all approved.

Resolution 10-78 GM Contract Amendment – 2011 Salary

Commissioner Corwin moved to approve Resolution 10-78 GM Contract Amendment – 2011 Salary, seconded by Commissioner Pickett and all approved.

Motion to Support WPUDA's Exempt Well Consolidation Legislation

Commissioner Corwin moved to Support WPUA's Exempt Well Consolidation Legislation, seconded by Commissioner Pickett and all approved.

Information Discussion of Operations/Policy Issues:

Commissioner Discussion – Public Opinion Poll Questions/RFQ – PUD Lines of Business Telecommunications (Commissioner Corwin).

The Board discussed various methods of creating public awareness about Thurston PUD. The Board also discussed the merits of a broad study versus focusing on certain promising projects. Commissioner Corwin requested more information about the power generation of solar panels in terms of energy per square foot.

Commissioners Reports:

Commissioner Corwin

Commissioner Corwin attended the WPUA business meeting. He also spoke with State Senator Sheldon about funding for small water system improvements.

Commissioner Pickett

Commissioner Pickett provided a written report. He also attended the TRPC meeting, he provided the Board with a handout from the meeting.

Commissioner Stearns

Commissioner Stearns attended the TRPC meeting, the TMDL meeting for the Deschutes River, and the Chehalis Partnership meeting.

Assignments: None.

Commissioner Corwin moved to adjourn the regular meeting at 6:41 p.m. Seconded by Commissioner Pickett and all approved. The meeting was adjourned.

President

Attest: _____
Secretary