

**Minutes of the Regular Commission Meeting of
Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, Washington
December 16, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Commission, of Public Utility District No. 1 of Chelan County, Washington, was held in the office of the District, 203 Olds Station Road, Wenatchee, Washington, on December 16, 2024, at the hour of 10:00 am, pursuant to proper notice.

Commissioners present: Steve McKenna, President
Garry Arseneault (remote)
Randy Smith
Carnan Bergren
Kelly Allen

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

Others: Gene Sharratt

Call to Order

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

Pledge of Allegiance and Safety/H&OP Minute

- Amanda Huber, Project Delivery Process Administrator, led the pledge and provided information on soft tissue injury recovery

Agenda

- Resolutions 15 and 16 were moved to consent; the agenda was approved as revised

Safety Investigation Recommendations Follow-Up

- Brett Bickford, Managing Director Generation and Transmission, and Jared Watts, Director Safety, Health and H&OP (Human and Organizational Performance), presented an update on the recommended actions following the investigation of the 2018 fatality accident involving Eddie Bromiley
- Most recommendations have been completed
- Parapet wall concerns have impacted the timeline for gate slot inspections; an alternate plan is in place to perform full-height gate operations in 2025 on the remaining spill bays – 6, 7, 8, 9, and 27
- Detailed visual hoist gate inspections will resume once the parapet wall work is completed

Legislative Session: Pre-Session Outlook

- Kelli Scott, Government and External Affairs Program Manager, presented a pre-session legislation update
- Reviewed 2024 laws and initiatives of interest, including existing law implementation and rulemaking
- Provided a 2025 session over and policy watchlist, along with other issues we're watching
- Highlighted new legislators covering Chelan County

Fiber Services Review and Updates

- Chris Blayne, Managing Director Fiber & Telecom, and Justin Cornea, Supervisor Network Operations, provided an update on proposed changes to fiber services
- Plan to discontinue Plain Old Telephone Service (POTS) and Radio Frequency (RF) Video
- New service offerings include base internet service level, business internet services, and 2.5 and 5 Gpbs service; fee changes include an update to the provisioning fee for new installations
- Next steps include a resolution for consideration at the next meeting with changes anticipated to be implemented March 1, 2025

Strategic Vision Update

- Justin Erickson, Chief Strategy & Stakeholder Officer, provided an update on the visioning process
- Reviewed summary of comments received on the Imagine 2075: Bold, Enduring Value guidebook
 - Most comments centered on the proposed Mission and Vision statements
- Next steps include final editing and clean up, a proposed refinement to goal 2, and begin the strategic planning process
- Public comment: Dr. Gene Sharratt commented on the exceptional process, quality of trends, goals and customer-owner priorities, along with support for the proposed vision
- Commissioner endorsed the Imagine 2075 guidebook and thanked staff for their work on the process to develop a 50-year vision
- Kirk Hudson, General Manager, thanked the Steering Committee; recognize that we will have to change how we operate as staff

Identity Theft Prevention Program Update

- Erik Wahlquist, General Counsel, provided the annual update on the Identity Theft Prevention Program
- The District did not have any identified red flag or identity theft incidents this year

Consent Agenda

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

- Minutes of the December 2, 2024 Regular Meeting
- Vouchers: Accounts Payable Summary Report dated December 10, 2024:
 - Vouchers totaling \$13,014,850.94;
 - Approval of Customer Deposit Returns and Conservation Incentive payments for the period November 26, 2024 through December 09, 2024 in the amount of \$123,040.91.
 - Approval of the net Payroll, Warrant Nos. 238650 through 238665 and Advice Nos. 790085 through 790909 for the pay period ending December 01, 2024 in the amount of \$2,825,783.63.
 - Approval of Warrant Nos. 32462 through 32506 totaling \$13,003.30 for claim payments from the workers' compensation self-insurance fund for the period ending December 09, 2024.
- Resolution 11. A RESOLUTION RATIFYING FIELD WORK ORDER/CHANGE ORDER NOS. 1-8, AUTHORIZING FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF WORK PERFORMED UNDER BID NO. 21-32 WITH STRIDER CONSTRUCTION CO., INC OF BELLINGHAM, WA AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF RETAINAGE
- Resolution 12. A RESOLUTION RATIFYING FIELD WORK ORDER NO. 1, AUTHORIZING FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF WORK PERFORMED UNDER CONTRACT NO. 22-12520 WITH AMERICAN BABBIT BEARING, INC. OF HUNTINGTON, WEST VIRGINIA, AND AUTHORIZING PAYMENT OF RETAINAGE
- Resolution 13. A RESOLUTION RATIFYING FIELD WORK ORDER/CHANGE ORDER NO. 1, AUTHORIZING FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF WORK PERFORMED UNDER BID NO. 23-13284 WITH MIDLAND ELECTRIC, INC OF DAVENPORT, WASHINGTON, FOR CARLTON POND MOTOR CONTROL CENTER REPLACEMENT AND AUTHORIZING RELEASE OF THE BOND IN LIEU OF RETAINAGE
- Resolution 15. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO INTERAGENCY SERVICES AGREEMENT (CONTRACT NO. 19-10432) WITH WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE TO PROVIDE HATCHERY MONITORING AND EVALUATION SERVICES

- Resolution 16. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AMENDMENT NO. 3 TO SERVICES AGREEMENT (SA NO. 22-12481) WITH UTILICAST, LLC TO PROVIDE ENTERPRISE AND SOLUTIONS ARCHITECTURE CONSULTING

MOTION

Moved by: Commissioner Allen

Seconded by: Commissioner Smith

To approve the consent agenda revised to include Resolutions 15 and 16

Approved: Unanimously

Manager Item

- Mario Cantu, Community Engagement Coordinator, noted the District will host a Holiday Fiesta, to be held at the Service Center on Friday, December 20, 6:00-8:00pm
- David Lodge, Project Management Manager, reported that the Tumwater Dam spillway project is substantially complete and the contractor is now out of the water
 - This project was particularly complex and required ongoing coordination; thanks to all involved
- Brett Bickford, Managing Director Generation and Transmission, reported that the first section of the Rock Island parapet wall has been cut under spillbay 14

Commission Items

- Election of Officers

MOTION

Commissioner Arseneault nominated the following slate of officers: Steve McKenna, president, Garry Arseneault, vice-president, and Kelly Allen, secretary

Approved: 4 in favor, Commissioner Bergren abstained

- 2025 Association representation
 - Commissioners will let Commissioner McKenna know if they are interested in serving as an Association representative
- Commissioner Allen highlighted the identity theft prevention suggestion of keeping your checking account secure and opting for online statements

Follow up on Delegation of Action Items from 11/18/24 Board meeting

- Jason Ridlon will provide information on District electric vehicles
- Justin Erickson will explore music to play in the lobby

Follow up on Delegation of Action Items from Previous meetings

- Janet Jaspers will provide information on the number of anticipated participants in SPP Markets+ Phase 2 – completed via email 12/5/24

Delegation of Action Items

- Kelli Scott will provide information on the Colorado transmission authority legislation that Washington has used as a template

Recess @ 11:55am; Reconvene @ 1:00pm

Resolution 14

- Lisa Graves, Real Estate Specialist III, and Chad Rissman, Director Distribution Asset Management, presented Resolution 14 and reviewed a summary of information presented at the December 2 board meeting

- Resolution 14. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO PURCHASE APPROXIMATELY 1.14 ACRES OF LAND IN WENATCHEE, WASHINGTON, AT THE INTERSECTION OF SOUTH COLUMBIA STREET AND BRIDGE STREET FROM STOCKER, LLC

MOTION

Moved by: Commissioner Smith
 Seconded by: Commissioner Allen
 To approve Resolution 14 as presented
 Approved: Unanimously

Resolution 17

- Chad Rissman presented Resolution 17
- Resolution 17. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE GENERAL MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A SERVICE AGREEMENT (SA NO. 24-13974) WITH SAPERE CONSULTING, INC. OF WALLA WALLA, WA FOR MANAGEMENT CONSULTING SERVICES


Resolution 18

- Mitch Clark, Senior Project Manager, presented Resolution 18
- Resolution 18. A RESOLUTION RATIFYING FIELD WORK ORDER/CHANGE ORDER NOS. 3-14, 3-16, AND 3-17, AND APPROVING EXECUTION OF FIELD WORK ORDER/CHANGE ORDER NO. 3-18, FOR THE THIRD AND FOURTH UNITS UNDER CONTRACT NO. 14-22 WITH VOITH HYDRO, INC. OF YORK, PA FOR ROCKY REACH UNITS C-8 THROUGH C-11 TURBINE REPAIRS


MOTION

Moved by: Commissioner Smith
 Seconded by: Commissioner Allen
 To approve Resolutions 17 and 18 as presented
 Approved: Unanimously


There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 1:19pm



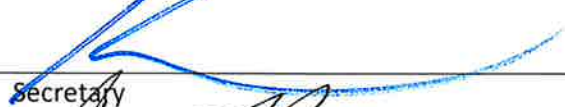
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