

Public Utility District No. 1 of Klickitat County
Board of Commissioners' Meeting
Tuesday, June 27, 2023
AGENDA

ONE TIME USE – **Regular Meeting** Call in number option: 844-621-3956 (Access Code: 2494 844 3142)

KPUD Commission Meeting Start Time – 2:00 p.m. as Advertised;

Location: 1313 S. Columbus Ave. - Goldendale, WA

➤ **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

➤ Approval of Minutes - 06/13/2023 Meeting

➤ Approval of Claims/Vouchers for period ending 06/27/2023 *(Cara Smith)*

➤ Approval of Payroll for period ending 06/18/2023 *(Cara Smith)*

➤ **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

REPORTS – 10 min. each:

- Water/Wastewater update *(Sharon Blodgett)*
- April Financials *(Sarah Honkala/Cynthia Bruce)*
- Engineering update *(Brandon Johnson)*
- Operations update *(Mike Nixon)*
- Commissioners' Reports
- Assistant General Manager *(Gwyn Miller)*
- General Manager *(Jim Smith)*

GUESTS:

○

AGENDA ITEMS – (see Manager's Report for further details)

- A. Resolution #1836 Recognition of Retirement of Dan Charters - *(Brandy Myers/Jim Smith)*
- B. Resolution #1837 Recognition of Retirement of Lori Fakesch - *(Brandy Myers/Jim Smith)*
- C. Utility Shutoffs- Extreme Heat discussion - *(Brandy Myers/Gwyn Miller)*
- D. Prequalification of Contractors - *(Sohn Kartes)*
- E. Lewis PUD and Cowlitz PUD Letter of Credit Waivers - *(Mike DeMott)*
- F. Carbon Free Power Source, Small Modular Nuclear Reactor Investigation - *(Jim Smith/Mike DeMott)*

ADJOURNMENT

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:

- WPUA Water Committee July 12-14



Public Utility District No. 1 of Klickitat County

85 Years of Service * 1938-2023

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD For the **June 27, 2023** Meeting

AGENDA ITEMS:

- A.** Resolution #1836 Recognition of Retirement of Dan Charters - Staff is requesting that Commissioner Knowles read this resolution into the record.
- B.** Resolution #1837 Recognition of Retirement of Lori Fakesch - Staff is requesting that Commissioner Knowles read this resolution into the record.
- C.** Utility Shutoffs- Extreme Heat discussion - Brandy Myers and Gwyn Miller will review executing disconnects for nonpayment with consideration given for extreme temperatures. July 23, 2023, modification to RCW 54.16.285 will go into effect. KPUD has been actively assessing options for some time and is developing processes to comply and mitigate impact to utility and customer alike.
- D.** Prequalification of Contractors - Sohn Kartes will be recommending addition of three vendors to be added to the works rosters. FJ Electric LLC, and Versatile Excavating are best represented on the Small works Roster and staff is requesting addition of City Electric LLC for both the small and large works rosters. They have all met the requirements for addition to the roster.
- E.** Lewis PUD and Cowlitz PUD Letter of Credit Waivers - Mike DeMott has received the annual financial statements from Lewis and Cowlitz PUD's and is requesting that we authorize issuance of the Letter of Credit Waivers for their Transmission Service Agreements.
- F.** Carbon Free Power Source, Small Modular Nuclear Reactor Investigation - An update will be provided at the meeting.

NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. Rodger Nichols Newspaper Series "KPUD Straight Talk" - As a follow up to the most recent Ruralite article on the issues facing the PUD and our intended actions to address these issues (attached), we are planning a series of articles by Rodger Nichols. These articles follow up with further information on the individual issues in that article. We decided that it would be best to have Rodger do these articles for the newspapers. That gives the articles more third person reporting, rather than us "telling people" about the

issues and also him the flexibility to adjust the order and timing of these articles depending on what we are hearing from our customers.

2. My Schedule: I will be out of the office much of the end of June and beginning of July.

a. PTO June 26-30

b. BC Hydro Trip- July 5-7?

This might turn into a trip to Portland in August. Mike and I have some ideas to explore for potential power supply that I want to discuss with Mike Corrigan.

c. PTO July 10-14

d. Pacific Northwest Economic Region (PNWER) Annual Summit- Boise ID July 17-20

I have not been to this event before as it is primarily legislators, policy makers, and business leaders in general as opposed to our normal utility focus. My interest is how this larger regional view on electrification of transportation, building codes and carbon goals jives (or not) with the State views and with our electric utility views of what is coming with respect to load growth and the potential for legislative changes in the event of blackouts or other power disruptions. I hope it is worth-while.

e. Dept. of Commerce Resource Adequacy update conference call July 26

f. White Salmon City Council - Rescheduled TBD