

Public Utility District No. 1 of Klickitat County  
**Board of Commissioners' Meeting**  
**Tuesday, August 09, 2022**

**AGENDA**

ONE TIME USE – **Regular Meeting** Call in number option: 844-621-3956 (Access Code: 2491 723 2415)  
**Meetings are now open to the public, attendees will adhere to the published state COVID-19 related guidelines.**

*We are continuing the use of the public teleconference line in recognition of the extension of the state of emergency's statutory waivers and suspensions pursuant to RCW 43.06.210, until terminated or rescinded, whichever occurs first.*

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

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

➤ **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

➤ Approval of Minutes – 07/26/2022 Meeting

➤ Approval of Claims/Vouchers for period ending 08/09/2022 *(Isabelle Carroll)*

➤ Approval of Payroll for period ending 07/31/2022 *(Isabelle Carroll)*

➤ **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

**REPORTS – 10 min. each:**

**GUESTS:**

- Renewable Energy Assets Manager July update *(Kevin Ricks)* ○
- Power and Finance July update *(Mike DeMott)*
- June Financials *(Cynthia Bruce)*
- Commissioners' Reports
- Assistant General Manager *(Gwyn Miller)*
- Manager's Bi-Monthly Report *(Jim Smith)*  
-*(see attached report)*

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

A. Prequalification of Professional Services *(Brandon Johnson)*

B. Undergrounding Power Installation Discussion *(Brandon Johnson, Mark Garner, Mike Nixon, and Jeff Thayer)*

C. Resolution 1823 Surplus of Vehicles *(Jeff Thayer)*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

- Klickitat County Fair August 17-21
- LFG Infrastructure Fund Application Review meeting August 26 at 11a.m.
- Strategic Planning Meeting September 8, 9a.m.-4p.m.
- Employee Recognition Luncheon September 13 @ 1:00 p.m.



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## GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD For the August 9, 2022 Meeting

### AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. Prequalification of Professional Services Consultant - Brandon Johnson is requesting approval of two firms and requesting that we add them to the professional services roster for the 2022 period. They have provided all of the required documentation for approval.
- B. Undergrounding Power Installation Discussion - Brandon Johnson, Mark Garner, Mike Nixon, and Jeff Thayer will provide proposed Policy 16 updates and a proposed impact map demonstrating the areas in question for the board to review.

There are some significant issues to resolve as we move forward with this idea and we will be prepared to talk about those issues. For your thought process, from what I have seen, due to material concerns and advising customers, I would not expect us to be able to implement this policy until next construction season. We are looking for your feedback as always.

- C. Resolution 1823 Surplus of Vehicles - Jeff Thayer is requesting approval of Resolution 1823. Resolution 1823 has six vehicles to declare for surplus. Jeff has also provided a list of office materials, for your review, to surplus. These materials fall under Resolution 1805 adopted June 22, 2021, which designates that *“the Materials Manager is authorized to declare surplus of any items with an original purchase price of less than \$10,000, with the exception of real property, and to dispose of these items in a prudent manner through standard PUD procedures”*.

### NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

- 1. I will be in Spokane at a PPC post 2028 BPA contract strategy meeting on Tuesday, August 9. I would not normally consider attending a meeting on a board-meeting day. However, I think we are at a critical juncture and I want to ensure that our thoughts are heard and included in PPC's position papers and feedback to BPA. The implications are significant to our future power supply options. I am planning on calling in for the

Agenda Item B- Policy 16 update and undergrounding discussion.

2. Water Right Application for Glenwood - The public comment period on the application ended July 14. We were informed that the Yakama Nation has not received any comments. Andrew Smith, Director Yakama Nation Water Code Administration indicated their review is coming along and they are now starting to draft the permits.
3. Utility Wildland Fire Prevention Advisory Committee - DNR has finally started to move forward with this committee. I received an invitation to participate at the first meeting planned for September. Hopefully we can conclude the original task force business.
4. White Salmon City LAB Board Meeting - Mike DeMott, Commissioner Knowles and I attended a question and answer session in White Salmon on August 4. I think we were all impressed with their engagement and questions and it was helpful for us to understand their perspectives. We will be going back in September to talk again as we only got through about half of their questions.
5. LFG Infrastructure Fund Application Review - We have scheduled the LFG Infrastructure Fund application review for August 26, at 11:00 a.m. We submitted four applications and the County submitted one application for the City of Goldendale.
6. Department of Ecology Environmental Impact Statement Comments - We will be filing our comments Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>.
7. Goldendale Energy Pumped Storage Water Supply agreement - We have executed the water supply agreement between Klickitat PUD and Free Flow Power and the water reservation payment for the first year has been received.
8. Public Power Council Meeting Update - I attended the PPC Forum and Executive meeting on August 3-4 in Portland.
  - a. Stay on Litigation on Columbia River Operations – a motion was filed and approved this week to extending existing river operation conditions until 2023. The stay was agreed to allow time for further evaluation.
  - b. BPA Surplus – this is very preliminary but I am mentioning as this is significant. BPA is reporting that their secondary revenues sales could be almost \$1 billion in 2022. We are hearing about various statutes that could provide for a revenue distribution of 50% of these funds to customers. We are about 0.5% of BPA for reference. As you would expect, everyone has ideas of how BPA should manage

these funds. There are still months left in the year, but we should know more at the next BPA quarterly business review later this month.