

REGULAR MEETING  
OF PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 2 OF GRANT COUNTY

February 9, 2021

The Commission of Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington, convened at 9:00 a.m. via Microsoft Teams Meeting / +1 509-703-5291 Conference ID: 287 686 505# with the following Commissioners present: Larry Schaapman, President; Judy Wilson, Vice-President; Nelson Cox, Secretary; Dale Walker, Commissioner; and Tom Flint, Commissioner.

The Commission convened to review vouchers and correspondence.

The Commission recessed at 9:17 a.m.

The Commission resumed at 9:55 a.m.

A round table discussion was held regarding the following topics: COVID response update; system reliability update; status of river flow / water conditions; brief overview of Congressman Simpson's *Grand Bargain* concept; status of Grant's response to Kittitas County Commissioners FERC letter; suggestion to include a description narrative on voucher payment report; request for overview summary of contracted consultant work to include roles and responsibilities, scope of service and contract purpose; upcoming Governance Policy edits; request for progress update on Desert Aire risk assessment; request from customer regarding Grant's position on HB 1336; appreciation to staff for progress efforts on the Design Build 2 project and overall recognition of staff for the great work they do each and every day despite weather or other difficult working conditions; improvements noted in overall irrigation billing process; and reported appreciation from Grant County residents for continued progress on fiber buildout project.

New employee Daniel Blazquez, Senior Manager of Operational Excellence (OPEX), was introduced to the Commission.

John Mertlich, Senior Manager of FP&A, and Jeremy Nolan, Lead Financial Analyst, provided the 2020 Q4 Budget to Actual Report.

Ron Alexander, Senior Manager Power Delivery Construction & Maintenance, provided the Construction and Maintenance Program Report.

Derin Bluhm, Chief Technology Officer, provided the Information Technology report.

The Commission recessed at 12:08 p.m.

The Commission resumed at 1:00 p.m.

Consent agenda motion was made Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Cox to approve the following consent agenda items:

Payment Number	108562	through	108889	\$8,482,016.20
Payroll Direct Deposit	171979	through	172724	\$2,034,328.01
Payroll Tax and Garnishments	20210128A	through	20210204A	\$894,807.64

Meeting minutes of January 26, 2021.

After consideration, the above consent agenda items were approved by unanimous vote of the Commission and signatures were affirmed.

The Commissioners reviewed future agenda items.

The Commission calendar was reviewed.

Andrew Munro, Senior Manager of External Affairs & Communications, and Cliff Sears, Senior Policy Analyst, provided a Federal & Legislative Update report.

Trade association and committee reports were reviewed.

An executive session was announced at 2:00 p.m. to last until 3:30 p.m. to review performance of a public employee with legal counsel present pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g) and to discuss pending litigation with legal counsel present pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). The executive session concluded at 3:30 p.m. and the regular session resumed.

An additional executive session was noted to begin at 3:30 p.m. to last until 4:30 p.m. to review performance of a public employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The executive session concluded at 4:12 p.m. and the regular session resumed.

There being no further business to discuss, the February 9, 2021 meeting officially adjourned at 4:12 p.m.

ATTEST:



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Nelson Cox, Secretary

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Larry Schaapman, President

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Judy Wilson, Vice President

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Dale Walker, Commissioner

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Tom Flint, Commissioner