

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

April 13, 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 9:07 a.m.

The Commission resumed at 9:30 a.m.

A round table discussion was held regarding the following topics: Vantage restroom concerns; recognition from Grant County Health District to Grant PUD staff for ongoing COVID response efforts; noted improvement in safety outcomes and lowest level of recordable incident rate to-date; TRi Energy partnership announcement; system update; request for status update of Desert Aire security risk assessment; customer connection tracking technology; appreciation to Kevin Nordt and Grant PUD staff for preliminary efforts in the small modular reactor project; request from customer that esignature technology be allowed for lands/easement documents and other various customer forms; continued appreciation of progress in the fiber build out project; status update of fiber grant/loan program terms and conditions analysis; and letter of support for the Port of Warden Rail & Road Infrastructure Expansion Project.

Ty Ehrman, Managing Director of Power Production, provided the Power Production Performance Report.

Shannon Lowry, Lands & Recreation Manger provided the Lands and Recreation Program Report.

Paul Dietz, Enterprise Risk Manager, provided the Enterprise Risk Program Report.

Trade association and committee reports were reviewed.

Gene Austin, Compliance Manager, provided the NERC/WECC R&C Program Report.

The Commission recessed at 12:00 p.m.

The Commission resumed at 1:00 p.m.

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

Payment Number	110002	through	110501	\$14,135,743.62
Payroll Direct Deposit	174848	through	176278	\$3,994,921.67
Payroll Tax and Garnishments	20210325A	through	20210408A	\$1,765,234.06

Meeting minutes of March 23, 2021.

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

Resolution No. 8961 relative to accepting a bid and awarding contract was presented to the Commission. Motion was made by Mr. Flint and seconded by Mr. Walker to approve Resolution No. 8961. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

RESOLUTION NO. 8961A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT 170-10711, FOR
SUPPLYING DISTRIBUTION TRANSFORMERSRecitals

1. Bids were publicly opened on January 19, 2021 for Contract 170-10711, for Supplying Distribution Transformers;
2. Bid proposals were received from the following suppliers/contractors and evaluated by Grant PUD's staff;
 - General Pacific, Inc. Bidding Howard Industries
 - Wesco Distribution, Inc. Bidding Power Partners/ABB
 - Electric Research & Manufacturing Cooperative, Inc. (ERMCO)
 - Anixter, Inc. Bidding Eaton/Cooper
 - WEG Transformer USA
 - Central Moloney
3. Bids were evaluated by transformer type for commercial and technical compliance;
4. The low bid for Bid Item Nos. 1-15, submitted by Anixter, Inc. is both commercially and technically compliant with Grant PUD's contract requirements;
5. The low bid for Bid Item Nos. 16-20, submitted by Wesco Distribution, Inc. is rejected due to technical noncompliance;
6. The second low Bid for Bid Item Nos. 16-20 and the low Bid for Bid Item Nos. 21-34, submitted by General Pacific, Inc. is both commercially and technically compliant with Grant PUD's contract requirements;
7. The low commercially and technically compliant Bids are less than the Engineer's Estimate of:
 - \$1,598,215.00 for Bid Item Nos. 1-15
 - \$737,145.00 for Bid Item Nos. 16-20
 - \$2,565,529.00 for Bid Item Nos. 21-34; and
8. Grant PUD's Senior Manager of Power Delivery Construction and Maintenance and Managing Director of Power Delivery concur with staff and recommend award to Anixter, Inc. and General Pacific, Inc. as the lowest responsible and best bids based on Grant PUD's plan and specifications.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington, that the General Manager is authorized to enter into the following contracts for Supplying Distribution Transformers:

- Contract 170-10711A: Anixter Inc. of Portland, Oregon, Bidding Eaton Cooper Power Systems, is awarded Bid Item Nos. 1 through 15 for a total Contract not to exceed amount of \$1,167,165.00 plus applicable sales tax, upon receipt of the required payment and performance bond in a manner satisfactory to Grant PUD's Counsel.
- Contract 170-10711B: General Pacific, Inc. of Fairview, Oregon, Howard Industries, is awarded Bid Item Nos. 16 through 34 for a total Contract not to exceed amount of \$2,788,081.00 plus applicable sales tax, upon receipt of the required payment and performance bond in a manner satisfactory to Grant PUD's Counsel.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Commission of Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington, this 13th day of April, 2021

Motion was made by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Cox authorizing the General Manager/CEO, on behalf of Grant PUD, to execute Contract 430-10804 with Star Protection Agency, in

an amount not-to-exceed \$4,000,000.00 and with a contract completion date of July 2, 2024. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Motion was made by Mr. Walker and seconded by Mr. Flint authorizing the General Manager/CEO, on behalf of Grant PUD, to sign the Purchase and Sale Agreement with the City of Ephrata, to acquire 1.6 acres of property adjacent to Grant PUD parcel #13-0435-028 to allow for expansion for additional capacity in the South Ephrata Substation, in the amount of \$10,500.00. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

The Commissioners reviewed future agenda items.

The Commission calendar was reviewed.

The Commission discussed and appointed NWPPA voting delegation for the 2021 calendar year. Dale Walker will serve as primary voting delegate with Nelson Cox serving as the alternate.

The Commission recessed at 1:28 p.m.

The Commission resumed at 1:33 p.m.

An executive session was announced at 1:33 p.m. p.m. to last until 5:00 p.m. to review performance of a public employee present pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The executive session concluded at 4:45 p.m. and the regular session resumed.

There being no further business to discuss, the April 13, 2021 meeting officially adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

_____/s/
Nelson Cox, Secretary



_____/s/
Larry Schaapman, President

_____/s/
Judy Wilson, Vice President

_____/s/
Dale Walker, Commissioner

_____/s/
Tom Flint, Commissioner