

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

April 11, 2023

The Commission of Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington, convened at 8:30 a.m. at Grant PUD's Main Headquarters Building, 30 C Street SW, Ephrata, Washington and via Microsoft Teams Meeting / +1 509-703-5291 Conference ID: 596 502 173# with the following Commissioners present: Nelson Cox, President; Tom Flint, Vice-President; Terry Pyle, Secretary; Larry Schaapman, Commissioner and Judy Wilson, Commissioner.

An executive session was announced at 8:30 a.m. to last until 9:00 a.m. to review performance of a public employee with legal counsel present pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The executive session concluded at 9:00 a.m. and the regular session resumed.

The Commission convened to review vouchers and correspondence.

The Commission recessed at 9:18 a.m.

The Commission resumed at 9:30 a.m.

A round table discussion was held regarding the following topics: April 6 news release regarding Grant PUD and Obsidian Renewables agreement to collaborate on developing hydrogen renewable solutions; May 25 First Salmon Ceremony; public outreach workshop scheduled for April 12 to discuss proposed route of Wanapum to Mountain View transmission line; Kevin Nordt named as recipient of the NWPPA 2023 William McCrorie Distinguished Service Award; noted complaint from Grant PUD customer regarding the call center phone system; and Sabey advertisement in Alaska Airlines magazine.

New Employees, Sam Dart, Lands Specialist, and Evelyn Zepeda, Regulatory Specialist I, were introduced to the Commission.

Shannon Lowry, Manager of Lands and Recreation, provided a Lands and Recreation Program report.

Terry McKenzie, Senior Manager of Wholesale Fiber, gave a report on Wholesale Fiber.

The Commission recessed at 10:55 a.m.

The Commission resumed at 11:00 a.m.

Trade association and committee reports were reviewed.

Sila Nanotechnologies, Inc. members Chris Dougher, Vice President of Operations; Scott Sadlon, Head of Capital Projects; Alex Fitzsimmons, Director of Government Affairs; Rosendo Alvarado, Operations Manager; and Dominick Tagalog, Engineer of Capital Projects, provided a company overview and presented "*Engineering Materials to Power our Future*".

The Commission recessed at 11:45 a.m.

The Commission resumed at 11:50 a.m.

An executive session was announced at 11:50 a.m. to last until 12:55 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 12:55 p.m. and the regular session resumed.

Tom Willis, Moses Lake, addressed the Commission regarding request for used power poles and requested an exception to Grant PUD's current policy related to disposal of surplus pallets, reels and poles.

Correspondence was noted from Commissioner Schaapman regarding a request from landowner in opposition to the proposed Wanapum to Mountain View transmission line, inquiring about how many Commissioners would attend the April 12 public meeting. It was confirmed that all five Commissioners planned to attend.

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

Payment Number	130368	through	130773	\$7,615,740.89
Payroll Direct Deposit	214493	through	215263	\$2,270,538.19
Payroll Tax and Garnishments	20230405A	through	20230405B	\$968,561.59

Meeting minutes of March 28, 2023.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Flint and seconded by Mrs. Wilson authorizing the General Manager/CEO to execute Change Order No. 36 to Contract 230-3737 with GE Steam Power, Inc., increasing the not-to-exceed contract amount by \$385,135.18 for a new contract total of \$104,597,068.04 subject to the Price Adjustment Provisions of Section SR-13 including changes incorporated by this Change Order, modifying completion dates of Section SR-2.A.2 to be replaced with revised Milestone dates in Item A.4, assessing any liquidated damages for SR-2.A.2 upon revised completion dates, and resetting the delegated authority levels to the authority granted to the General Manager/CEO per Resolution No. 8609 for charges incurred as a result of Change Order No. 36. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Motion was made by Mr. Schaapman and seconded by Mr. Pyle to strike all language referencing the Chief Resources Officer (CRO) from the Governance Policy dated April 26, 2022. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Resolution No. 9013 relative to amending the Governance Policy was presented to the Commission. Motion was made by Mr. Schaapman and seconded by Mr. Pyle to approve Resolution No. 9013. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

RESOLUTION NO. 9013

A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE GOVERNANCE POLICY AND SUPERSEDING PRIOR RESOLUTIONS RELATING TO GOVERNANCE OF GRANT PUD

Recitals

1. Grant PUD has a Governance Policy adopted August 31, 2009 by Resolution No. 8402, and as amended by Resolution Nos. 8517, 8708, 8815, 8918, 8963, 8982 and 8991; and
2. Grant PUD has reviewed and desires to update its Governance Policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington:

Section 1. The Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington Governance Policy (the "Governance Policy") attached as Exhibit A is hereby approved and adopted as the official governance policy of Grant PUD.

Section 2. Any prior resolutions inconsistent with the Governance Policy adopted herein are superseded to the extent of the inconsistency.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Commission of Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington, this 11th day of April, 2023.

The Commissioners reviewed future agenda items.

The Commission calendar was reviewed.

The Commission recessed at 1:35 p.m.

The Commission resumed at 1:45 p.m.

The Commission attended Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA), Open Public Records Act (OPRA), and Records Retention and Management training led by Grant PUD Public Records Officer, Bev Peterson.

There being no further business to discuss, the Commission adjourned at 3:00 p.m. on April 11 and reconvened on Wednesday, April 12 at 6:00 p.m. at George Community Center, 403 W Montmorency Blvd, George, Washington for the purpose of attending a Wanapum-Mountain View Transmission Line public meeting and any other business that may come before the Commission with the following Commissioners present: Judy Wilson, Nelson Cox, Tom Flint, Terry Pyle and Larry Schaapman. A copy of the notice of adjournment was posted to the Grant PUD website.

There being no further business to discuss, the Commission adjourned at 9:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 12 and reconvened on Tuesday, April 18 at 8:30 a.m. at Grant PUD’s Main Headquarters Building, 30 C Street SW, Ephrata, Washington for the purpose of holding a Commission Workshop and any other business that may come before the Commission with the following Commissioners present: Judy Wilson, Nelson Cox, Tom Flint, Terry Pyle and Larry Schaapman. A copy of the notice of adjournment was posted to the Grant PUD website.

In response to the April 12, 2023 public meeting, the Commission reviewed the previously approved Route 4B for the Wanapum-Mountain View Transmission Line Project. The Commission discussed moving forward with producing a 30% design to determine if any new impacts are identified.

The Commission recessed at 10:40 a.m.

The Commission resumed at 10:45 am.

An executive session was announced at 10:45 a.m. to last until 11:30 a.m. to discuss lease or purchase of real estate if disclosure would increase price with legal counsel present pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b). The executive session concluded at 11:30 a.m. and the regular session resumed.

An additional executive session was announced at 11:30 a.m. to last until 11:40 a.m. to review performance of a public employee with legal counsel present pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). The executive session concluded at 11:40 a.m. and the regular session resumed.


There being no further business to discuss, the Commission adjourned at 11:40 on Tuesday, April 18 and reconvened on Thursday, April 20 at 5:00 p.m. at Pillar Rock Grill, 1373 Road F.2 NE, Moses Lake, Washington for the purpose of attending the Regional Collaboration Meeting – Joint Elected Officials and any other business that may come before the Commission with the following Commissioners present: Nelson Cox, Judy Wilson, and Terry Pyle. A copy of the notice of adjournment was posted to the Grant PUD website.

There being no further business to discuss, the April 11, 2023 meeting officially adjourned at 6:45 p.m. on April 20, 2023.

ATTEST:




Terry Pyle, Secretary


Nelson Cox, President

Tom Flint, Vice President


Larry Schaapman, Commissioner


Judy Wilson, Commissioner