

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

September 26, 2023

The Commission of Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington, convened at 8:30 a.m. at Grant PUD’s Hydro Office Building, 14352 Hwy 243 S, Beverly, 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 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 9:10 a.m.

The Commission resumed at 9:30 a.m.

A round table discussion was held regarding the following topics: Liz Anderson announced as new Executive Director for Washington PUD Association (WPUDA) effective January 1, 2024; WPUDA notification of gubernatorial campaign contributions; request for additional information relating to feeders in and out of Jericho substation; follow-up on recent transportation purchases; and briefing from recent meeting with WDFW Director, Kelly Susewind.

Jordan Rang, Safety Coordinator, provided a Safety Report.

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Anthony Vader, Engineer V, presented a *Safety From Wildlife Risks* safety training.

Bonnie Overfield, Chief Financial Officer, reviewed 2024 Proposed Budget Materials.

Thomas Stredwick, Senior Manager of Employee Experience; Scott Sundberg, Supervisor of Organizational Development; and Tod Ayers, Managing Director of Human Resources, reviewed the quarterly Organizational Development report and reviewed updates made to the Educational Reimbursement Policy.

An executive session was announced at 12:00 p.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 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 12:55 p.m. and the regular session resumed.

Chuck Sutton, Moses Lake, Washington, read a letter on behalf of Grant County Industrial Alliance regarding member concerns with Grant PUD’s current rate setting process.

Dan Miller, Royal City, Washington, representing different rate classes, industries, and interests within Grant County, read a joint letter expressing concern with ongoing rate discussions and noted collaborative support of Grant PUD Resolution No. 8768.

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

Payment Number	135425	through	135824	\$20,268,167.96
Payroll Direct Deposit	224164	through	224982	\$2,525,495.54
Payroll Tax and Garnishments	20230912A	through	20230920B	\$1,104,900.85

Meeting minutes of September 12, 2023.

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

Resolution No. 9029 relative to adopting salaries for Commission appointees was presented to the Commission. Motion was made by Mr. Schaapman and seconded by Mr. Flint to approve Resolution No. 9029. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

RESOLUTION NO. 9029

A RESOLUTION ADOPTING SALARIES FOR COMMISSION APPOINTEES

Recitals

1. The Commission desires to establish the salaries for Commission Appointees as set forth herein.

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

Section 1. The adjusted salaries for Commission Appointees is set forth in Exhibit A and shall be effective January 5, 2024.

Section 2. The Commission adds a one-time contribution of fifteen (15) days at eight (8) hours per day to the personal leave (PL) bank of the General Manager/CEO.

Section 3. The Commission adds a one-time contribution of fifteen (15) days at eight (8) hours per day to the personal leave (PL) bank of the General Counsel/CLO.

Section 4. This resolution supersedes any prior resolution relating to Commission Appointee salaries to the extent of any conflict or inconsistency with the salary adjustments set forth in Exhibit A.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Commission of Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

Resolution No. 9030 relative to superseding Resolution No. 9010, relating to amending Rate Schedule No. 19 – Commercial Fast Charging Electric Vehicle Service was presented to the Commission. Motion was made by Mr. Schaapman and seconded by Mr. Pyle to approve Resolution No. 9030. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

RESOLUTION NO. 9030

A RESOLUTION SUPERSEDING RESOLUTION NO. 9010, RELATING TO AMENDING RATE SCHEDULE NO. 19 – COMMERCIAL FAST CHARGING ELECTRIC VEHICLE SERVICE

Recitals

1. Pursuant to RCW 54.16.040, Grant PUD is authorized to regulate and control the use, distribution, rates, service, charges, and price of electric energy;
2. Resolution No. 9010 previously adopted Rate Schedule No. 19 Commercial Fast Electric Vehicle Charging;
3. The General Manager and Grant PUD staff recommend amending Grant PUD Rate Schedule No. 19 as set forth in Exhibit A.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Commission of Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington, that Rate Schedule No. 19 is hereby effective as set forth in Exhibit A.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that as of October 1, 2023, Resolution No. 9010 as it relates to Rate Schedule No. 19 is hereby superseded.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Commission of Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington, this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2023.

The Commissioners reviewed future agenda items.

The Commission calendar was reviewed. After discussion, the Commission agreed to cancel the December 26, 2023 regular business meeting. Required notices will be posted.

Chuck Allen, Senior Manager of External Affairs gave a report on the Public Power and Industry Outreach Activity Report.

An executive session was announced at 2:10 p.m. to last until 2:20 p.m. to potential litigation with legal counsel present pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). The executive session concluded at 2:20 p.m. and the regular session resumed.

Rich Flanigan, Senior Manager of Wholesale Marketing and Supply, reviewed on the Infrastructure and Jobs Act / Public Utilities Regulatory Policies Act of 1978 (PURPA). As part of the 2021 Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, PURPA was amended to include two new standards identified in Section Nos. 40431 and 40140. The new standards do not impose mandatory obligations on Grant PUD, so no further action is required. After discussion, the Commission accepted the report with the acknowledgement no further action would be taken.

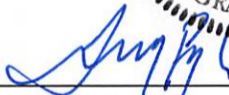
Fallon Long, Managing Director of Integrated Operational Services, and Dave Ponozzo, Manager of Emergency Preparedness, presented the Integrated Operational Report.

Chris Roseburg, Senior Manager of Operational Excellence provided an Operational Excellence Report.

There being no further business to discuss, the September 26, 2023 meeting officially adjourned at 3:30 p.m. on September 26, 2023.

ATTEST:



  
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Terry Pyle, Secretary

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Nelson Cox, President

  
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Tom Flint, Vice President

  
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Larry Schapman, Commissioner

  
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