

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

January 9, 2024

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: 614 157 417# with the following Commissioners present: Tom Flint, President; Terry Pyle, Vice President; Larry Schaapman (via virtual Microsoft Teams), Secretary; Judy Wilson, Commissioner and Nelson Cox, 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), to discuss pending litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and to discuss lease or purchase of real estate is disclosure would increase price pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b). 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 9:12 a.m.

The Commission resumed at 9:30 a.m.

A round table discussion was held regarding the following topics: Commission President Flint presented a music video "*Taking Care of Business*" and shared his motivational focus for 2024; inquiry regarding new contract for the Priest Rapids spillway improvement project; purchase and sale agreement in today's packet for review and request from the Commission for continued advance notice prior to property purchases; and RFP process for 300 MWs of capacity and energy.

Trade association and committee reports were reviewed.

Terry McKenzie, Senior Manager of Wholesale Fiber, provided the Fiber Business Report and reviewed proposed changes to Rate Schedule No. 100.

Terry McKenzie, Senior Manager of Wholesale Fiber; David Parkhurst, Manager of Telecom Network Services; and Kevin McKee, Telecommunications Engineer; presented the Passive Optical Networks (PON) Report.

Glen Pruitt, Manager of Reliability and Compliance, provided the NERC/WECC Reliability and Compliance Program Report.

Tracy Johnson, Manager of Enterprise Risk Management, presented the Enterprise Risk Program Report.

The Commission recessed at 11:55 a.m.

The Commission resumed at 12:00 p.m.

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 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.

Commission President Flint presented his personal 2024 Goals and Objectives for Grant PUD.

Ryan Beebout, representing Grant County Industrial Alliance, referenced adoption of Resolution No. 9039 in December 2023, noted appreciation for soliciting and accepting feedback from stakeholders, and expressed interest in future opportunities to continue rate setting policy dialogue between all rate schedule customers, Grant PUD Commissioners, and Grant PUD staff.

Dan Miller, Royal City, expressed interest in continued rate policy discussions between Grant PUD and all rate classes, allowing for customer input and recommendations, and noted a desire for further education related to governance of Grant PUD rate setting policies as well as standard utility practices and regulations.

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

Payment Number	138329	through	139163	\$94,991,362.56
Payroll Direct Deposit	228957	through	230541	\$5,756,165.18
Payroll Tax and Garnishments	20231213A	through	20231227B	\$2,360,229.50

Meeting minutes of December 12, 2023.

Special meeting minutes of December 17, 2023 and January 5, 2024.

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

Motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mr. Pyle to table Resolution No. 9041. After consideration, the motion to table passed by majority vote of the Commission with Commissioner Schaapman casting the only opposing vote.

The Commissioners reviewed future agenda items.

Motion was made by Mr. Pyle and seconded by Mrs. Wilson authorizing payment of non-compliant purchases from AlignOrg Solutions, LLC for invoice numbers 2437, 2468 and 2498 dated September 30, 2023, October 31, 2023 and November 30, 2023 in the total amount of \$75,000.00. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

The Commission calendar was reviewed.

Shannon Lowry, Manager of License Compliance and Lands Services, and Kylie Vroman, Lands Specialist, provided the License Compliance and Lands Services Program Report.

There being no further business to discuss, the Commission adjourned at 2:30 p.m. on January 9 and reconvened on Tuesday, January 16 at 8:30 a.m. at Grant PUD’s Main Headquarters Building, 30 C Street SW, Ephrata, Washington for the purpose of attending a workshop and any other business that may come before the Commission with the following Commissioners present: Tom Flint, Terry Pyle, Larry Schaapman (via virtual Microsoft Teams), Judy Wilson, and Nelson Cox. A copy of the notice of adjournment was posted to the Grant PUD website.

Public comment was accepted regarding Grant PUD rates and rate setting policy from the following: James Berschauer (via written letter read into the record), Marvin Price, Phil Stadelman, Dan Miller, Chuck Sutton, Ryan Beebout, Murray VanDyke, Spud Brown, and Lisa Karstetter.

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There being no further business to discuss, the January 9, 2024 meeting officially adjourned at 2:25 p.m. on January 16, 2024.

ATTEST:



Larry Schaapman
 Larry Schaapman, Secretary

Tom Flint
 Tom Flint, President

Terry Pyle
 Terry Pyle, Vice President

Judy Wilson
 Judy Wilson, Commissioner

Nelson Cox
 Nelson Cox, Commissioner