

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

February 27, 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; Judy Wilson, Commissioner and Nelson Cox, Commissioner. Larry Schaapman was absent due to personal business.

An executive session was announced at 8:30 a.m. to last until 8:55 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 if disclosure would increase price pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b). The executive session concluded at 8:55 a.m. and the regular session resumed.

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: cluster study status update; evaluation of potential RFI for transmission planning services and anticipated transmission staffing backfills; inquiry into various contracts included on the new and closed out contract reports; request for review of land acquisition policies prior to the March 19 workshop; request for new generation workshop discussion; recap from recent WPUDA meetings; request for confirmation of units under construction at Energy Northwest; low snow pack projections; recap from the Investing in America Press Conference at the Group 14 Moses Lake facility; and status of pole placement design related to the QTEP project.

Riley Mace, Safety Coordinator, reviewed the January 2024 Safety Report.

Don Lester, Engineer IV, presented “*Personal Internet Safety*” safety training.

Aaron Kuntz, Senior Manager of Enterprise Project Management Office (EPMO), and Sarah Sherman, Project Coordinator, provided the EPMO report.

Angelina Johnson, Senior Manager of Treasury and Financial Planning; Amy Thompson, Senior Financial Analyst; Paul Dietz, Senior Manager of Forecasting and Marketing; Jerrod Estell, Quantitative Analyst; Rich Flanigan, Senior Manager of Wholesale Marketing and Supply; and Phil Law, Term Marketer, provided an overview of the Hybrid Credit Facility: Energy Supply Management financial trading transaction.

The Commission attended a lunch meeting with Grant County Commissioners.

Motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Wilson to excuse the absence of Commissioner Schaapman. After consideration, the motion was approved by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Jill Jorgenson, Olalla, Washington, expressed appreciation for the opportunity to work with Grant PUD employees in efforts to improve personal safety, health and wellness and led the Commission through a stretch and flex exercise.

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

Payment Number	140190	through	140665	\$52,491,365.08
Payroll Direct Deposit	232952	through	233806	\$2,602,829.23
Payroll Tax and Garnishments	20240213A	through	20240221B	\$1,120,933.46

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

Resolution No. 9044 relative to awarding a contract was presented to the Commission. Motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mrs. Wilson to approve Resolution No. 9044. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

RESOLUTION NO. 9044

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A BID AND AWARDING CONTRACT 170-11912, FOR SUPPLYING 45 FT AND 50 FT CLASS 2 WESTERN RED CEDAR POLES

Recitals

1. Bids were publicly opened on December 13, 2023 for Contract 170-11912, for Supplying 45 FT and 50 FT Class 2 Western Red Cedar Poles;
2. Bid proposals were received from the following suppliers/contractors and evaluated by Grant PUD’s staff;
 - Stella-Jones Corporation \$4,905,440.00
3. The low bid, submitted by Stella-Jones Corporation is both commercially and technically compliant with Grant PUD’s contract requirements;
4. The bid is less than the Engineer’s Estimate of \$5,990,000.00; and
5. Grant PUD’s Senior Manager of Power Delivery Engineering and General Manager concur with staff and recommend award to Stella-Jones Corporation as the lowest responsible and best bid 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 a contract, Contract 170-11912, for Supplying 45 FT and 50 FT Class 2 Western Red Cedar Poles with Stella-Jones Corporation of Tacoma, Washington in the amount of \$4,905,440.00 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 27th day of February 2024.

Motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mr. Pyle authorizing the General Manager/CEO to execute Change Order No. 3 to Contract 430-10199 with Associated Underwater Services, Inc., increasing the not-to-exceed contract amount by \$200,000.00 for a new contract total of \$1,119,462.50 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. 3. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mr. Pyle authorizing transfer of any proceeds from Cap and Investment Auction of Climate Commitment Act (CCA) Credits received be recorded in the R&C fund, until clear governance and procedures have been developed to manage funds. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

Motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mr. Pyle authorizing payment of non-compliant purchase from Chelan County PUD, invoice number MS-010627 dated November 6, 2023, in the amount of \$20,313.10. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

The Commissioners reviewed future agenda items.

The Commission calendar was reviewed.

The Commission recessed at 1:40 p.m.

The Commission resumed at 1:45 p.m.

An executive session was announced at 1:45 p.m. to last until 2:30 p.m. to review performance of a public employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g), to discuss pending litigation with legal counsel present pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and to discuss lease or purchase of real estate if disclosure would increase price with legal counsel pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(b). The executive session concluded at 2:30 p.m. and the regular session resumed.

The Commission attended training on Outlook, Multi-Factor Authenticator (MFA), and SharePoint technology applications and both the August 1, 2023 revised Travel Policy and the August 1, 2023 new Non-Travel Meal Policy. Commissioner Schaapman was absent from the meeting but will receive one-on-one training with Randi Hovland, Executive Services Supervisor/Clerk of the Board and Service Desk staff at a future date.

There being no further business to discuss, the February 27, 2024 meeting officially adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

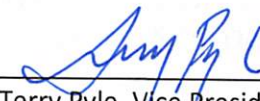
ATTEST:



Larry Schaapman, Secretary



Tom Flint, President



Terry Pyle, Vice President



Judy Wilson, Commissioner

Nelson Cox, Commissioner