

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

October 26, 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; Tom Flint, Commissioner; and Terry Pyle, Commissioner.

The Commission convened to review vouchers and correspondence.

A round table discussion was held regarding the following topics: state audit activities underway; resignation of Jeff Bishop, CFO; report from recent National Hydropower Association (NHA) Clean Currents Conference; Energy NW Public Power Forum scheduled for October 28; US Army relationship building meeting scheduled for October 27 at the Yakima Training Center; final insurance renewal memo submitted via email; currently collecting Nokia contract stakeholder touch points; world energy market update; and wheeling contract inquiry.

RJ Fronsman, Senior Safety Coordinator, provided the Safety Report.

Dave Churchman, Chief Customer Officer, and Amanpreet Singh, Senior Rates and Forecast Analyst, reviewed the Retail Load and Revenue Variance Report.

Jeff Grizzel, Managing Director of Power Delivery, presented the Power Delivery Performance Report.

John Mertlich, Senior Manager of FP&A, provided final review of the 2022 proposed budget.

Trade association and committee reports were reviewed.

The Commission recessed at 12:00 p.m.

The Commission resumed at 1:00 p.m.

Tom Willis, Moses Lake, expressed frustration with delays in the fiber buildout project. In addition, he spoke in opposition to the nuclear exploration efforts currently underway at Grant PUD.

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

Payment Number	115539	through	115835	\$15,591,248.72
Payroll Direct Deposit	186054	through	186795	\$2,084,266.32
Payroll Tax and Garnishments	20211021A	through	20211021B 20211021C	\$847,961.84 \$481.54

Meeting minutes of October 12, 2021.

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

Resolution No. 8973 relative to appointing a commissioner was presented to the Commission. Motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mr. Flint to approve Resolution No. 8973. After consideration, the motion passed by unanimous vote of the Commission.

RESOLUTION NO. 8973

A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING RULES FOR FILLING A VACANCY AND APPOINTING A COMMISSIONER FOR DISTRICT NO. 2

Recitals

1. The Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County, Washington hereby sought applicants to fill the vacant District No. 2 board position as a result Commissioner Dale Walker's August 8, 2021 passing;

2. Pursuant to RCW 54.12.010 the existing vacancy shall be filled at the 2022 general election and in the interim the vacancy will be filled through an appointment by the remaining Grant PUD Commissioners; and
3. Pursuant to RCW 42.14.070, the Grant PUD's Commission established rules concerning the appointment of an interim Commissioner.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Section 1. Written letters of interest were accepted from qualified persons interested in filling the existing vacancy on the Board of Commissioners.

Section 2. Applicants were required to be registered voters from Public Utility District Commission District No. 2 and qualified under the laws of the State of Washington to hold the office of a Public Utility District Commissioner.

Section 3. Each applicant furnished a statement of his or her educational background, qualifications, experience and reasons for seeking appointment as Public Utility District Commissioner.

Section 4. As per Grant PUD's press release published on August 25, 2021, letters of interest were to be postmarked or emailed no later than close of business on September 10, 2021.

Section 5. Letters of Interest were sent to Grant PUD's Board of Commission via email and US Mail.

Section 6. Written letters of interest have been received and interviews conducted with persons interested in filling the existing vacancy.

Section 7. Grant PUD's Board of Commission has reviewed all letters of interest and believes that there are multiple applicants with the necessary background, experience and ability to serve as a Commissioner.

Section 8. As per Grant PUD's press release published on September 23, 2021, the Commission sought public comment associated with the four finalists.

Section 9. Grant PUD's Board of Commission wishes to express its sincere appreciation to all applicants and regrets that only one person can be selected to fill the existing vacancy.

Section 10. After careful consideration of all applicants, Grant PUD's Board of Commission is of the opinion that the individual designated below should be appointed to serve as Commissioner for District No. 2 in accordance with R.C.W. 54.12.010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Terry Pyle is hereby appointed Public Utility District Commissioner for District No. 2.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the Commission of Public Utility District No. 2 of Grant County this 26<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2021.

Newly appointed Commissioner, Terry Pyle, was sworn into office by General Counsel/Chief Legal Officer, Mitch Delabarre.

Motion was made by Mr. Cox and seconded by Mr. Flint authorizing the General Manager/CEO, on behalf of Grant PUD, to bind 2021-2022 property and liability policy renewals through Grant PUD's insurance broker Beecher Carlson. 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 2:00 p.m.

The Commission resumed at 2:05 p.m.

A public hearing was held to discuss Grant PUD’s 10-year Conservation Potential Assessment and setting the two-year conservation target. No public comments were received.

Rich Flanigan, Senior Manager of Wholesale Marketing and Supply, presented the Clean Energy Implementation Plan (CEIP) Report.

A public hearing was held to discuss requirements of the state’s Clean Energy Transformation Act. No public comments were received.

Rich Cole, Customer Service Program Supervisor, and Eric Hector, Energy Services Specialist, presented the Clean Energy Information Act (CETA) and 1937 Energy Efficiency Reports.

Russ Brethower, Senior Manager of Wholesale Fiber, provided the Wholesale Fiber Business Report.

The Commission recessed at 3:38 p.m.

The Commission resumed at 3:45 p.m.

An executive session was announced at 3:45 p.m. to last until 5:00 p.m. to discuss pending litigation with legal counsel present pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and to review performance of a public employee with legal counsel present pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(g). The executive session concluded at 5:00 p.m. and the regular session resumed.

There being no further business to discuss, the Commission adjourned at 5:00 p.m. on October 26 and reconvened on Thursday, October 28 at 12:30 p.m. at the Three Rivers Convention Center, 7016 W Grandridge Blvd, Kennewick, Washington for the purpose of attending the Energy NW Public Power Forum and any other business that may come before the Commission with the following Commissioners present: Tom Flint, Judy Wilson, and Nelson Cox. A copy of the notice of adjournment was posted to the Grant PUD website.

There being no further business to discuss, the October 26, 2021 meeting officially adjourned at 6:00 p.m. on October 28, 2021.

ATTEST:



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Nelson Cox, Secretary

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Larry Schaapman, President

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Judy Wilson, Vice President

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Terry Pyle, Commissioner

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Tom Flint, Commissioner