

## **CLALLAM COUNTY PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT #1**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Commissioners

Main Office | 104 Hooker Road | Sequim, WA 98382

**APRIL 25, 2022**

This meeting was HYBRID (held remotely via ZOOM with designated staff in person)

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### **Commissioners Present**

Will Purser, President

Rick Paschall, Vice President

Jim Waddell, Secretary

### **Staff Present in Person**

Sean Worthington, General Manager

John Purvis, Assistant General Manager

Lori Carter, Controller, Auditing Officer

Ruth Kuch, Finance Manager/Treasurer

Nicole Hartman, Communications Manager

Tom Martin, Water/Wastewater Manager

Eric Jacobson, Business Analyst

Erica Olsen, Desktop Technician

Teresa Lyn, Executive Assistant

Bowen Kendrick, WWW Superintendent

### **Staff Present via Zoom**

Jamie Spence, HR Manager

Tom Martin, Water/Wastewater Manager

Larry Morris, Safety Manager

Sarah Canepa, Financial Analyst

Chelsey Jung, Payroll Coordinator

Julie Metzger, Power Systems Project

Coordinator

Mary Doran, Accountant

Rebecca Turner, Sr. Accountant

Leslie Sommerville, HR and Safety

Administrator

Tyler King, Power Analyst

Mattias Järvegren, Utilities Services

Supervisor

Colin Young, Distribution System

Supervisor

### **Others Present as Identified**

Paul Pickett

Brian Grad

Janet Marx

Ken Hayes

Various WA State staff from the

Departments of Health and Drinking Water

The meeting commenced at 1:30 PM.

### **CONSENT AGENDA :20**

Upon recommendation of staff, and upon motion of Commissioner Paschall, seconded by Commissioner Waddell and carried, the Board the following consent agenda items:

- a. Minutes of the April 11, 2022 regular meeting;
- b. Claim vouchers for April 11 through April 25, 2022 for a total of \$3,890,718.34;
- c. Payroll vouchers for the period of April 1 through April 15, 2022; and
- d. Contractor prequalification of Pacific Pole Inspection, Inc., for the upcoming year in the amount of \$350,000.00.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT 3:15**

Public comment was given regarding local generation of rooftop solar energy.

### **AGENDA REVISIONS 5:15**

A revision was made to the agenda to change item a to enable the Office of Drinking Water and the Department of Health to announce and present an award to a member of our staff.

### **BUSINESS ITEMS STARTING AT 5:25**

- a. **6:25:** The Office of Drinking Water with the Department of Health presented a surprise award to Water and Wastewater Manager Tom Martin for his leadership in restoring water to Sekiu/Clallam Bay after the large landslide ruptured the water main in November. Many across the District were involved in the restoration effort, including: Larry Morris who arranged PUD bottled water transport via airlift; John Purvis and Nicole Hartman who coordinated across agencies and provided communication to customers; Rebecca Turner who did detailed work tracking expenses for FEMA purposes; Bill Decker and his crew who assisted with logistics; Materials employees in helping to procure and load up water for delivery; Shawn Delplain who coordinated contract electric and communication restorations; and the Customer Service team who fielded concerned customer calls as well as the entire Water Department, who were recognized in March at a separate award event.

The meeting convened and recessed at 1:40 PM for photo-taking. The meeting reconvened at 1:44 PM.

- b. **10:39:** Upon recommendation of staff, and upon motion of Commissioner Paschall, seconded by Commissioner Waddell and carried, the Board authorized District staff to proceed with Bid Award Recommendation Memo for Bid No. 220802. This contract is for the construction of water main replacement on Funk and Ballard Alley Road, and includes outlet pipe replacement of Chantrelle Reservoir. The work replaces approximately 1,500 linear feet of water main, fire hydrant, valves, and water service lines from the new water main to the meter, asphalt concrete patching, and surface restoration. The Engineer's Estimate for the project is \$705,749. The bid is to be awarded to Nova Contracting, Inc., from Little Rock, WA, the lowest responsible bidder with a total base bid of \$511,530.00 (not including WSST).
- c. **4:40:** Upon recommendation of staff, and upon motion of Commissioner Paschall, seconded by Commissioner Waddell and carried, the Board approved RESOLUTION 2240-22 authorizing the purchase of property for \$41,000 from the City of Port Angeles in order to construct Pump Station LUD3 in a more geologically-safe area.

- d. **19:40:** Assistant General Manager John Purvis provided a detailed update on the District's plan for preparing for electric vehicle load growth. The presentation covered the projected impacts (system, load, and financial) that the District is expected to experience as a result of the passage of State Bill 5974 the "Clean Cars 2030" bill which was signed into law March 25, 2022. This bill establishes a goal that passenger and light duty vehicles model year 2030 and later be electric vehicles (EVs) and applies to vehicle sales and new vehicle registration. The District is planning accordingly.
- e. **1:14:55:** Bonneville Power Administration's (BPA)'s post-2028 contract discussion: the concept paper supported by the Western Public Agencies Group (WPAG), was presented to BPA on behalf of 76 BPA customers including Clallam County PUD, and is awaiting BPA's response. The paper covers a wide variety of topics discussed by BPA and customers with respect to the 2028 contract discussions.

### **CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATIONS 1:23:23**

General Manager Sean Worthington provided an update on House Bill 1329 and recent Open Public Meeting Act (OPMA) changes. There was also a discussion regarding a request to post six years of meeting minutes on the website. Our current practice is to post a years' worth of meeting minutes and to provide a public records request link for those interested in accessing minutes from pre-2021. Commissioners asked staff to report back with the number of meeting minute requests we've had before they make a decision to have staff upload an additional five years of minutes.

### **COMMISSIONER REPORTS 1:28:28**

Commissioner Waddell attended WPUA meetings, a BPA financial plan refresh workshop, and a Provider of Choice meeting.

Commissioner Paschall shared Clearing Up's April 22nd article regarding the Bureau of Land Management's expectation to permit 31,827 MW of renewable-energy projects on federal lands over the next four years.

Commissioner Purser attended WPUA meetings, State Auditor Office meetings, and Energy Northwest Compensation and Executive Board meetings.

### **STAFF REPORTS 1:**

There were no staff reports.

### **BOARD ACTION ITEMS FOR STAFF 1:44:32**

- a. Staff is to report to the board the number of records requests we have had for board meeting minutes;
- b. As more and firmer electric vehicle load and resource adequacy information becomes available, staff is to report back to the board on the implications and the District's plan to address; and
- c. Staff is to provide Commissioner Purser with the details of our as yet unanswered request to BPA to provide us with the outage times by utility for their customers so he may raise the topic at an upcoming PPC meeting.

**COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC 1:50:59**

Public comment was heard by an individual expressing concern about climate change and an inquiry into whether the District is coordinating with the local Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL). Staff advised that Clallam PUD is working with PNNL (on their GIMRE’s 50kW tidal generation interconnection process). PNNL staff presented an in-depth update of this project ***Grid Integration of Marine Energy Design (GIMRE)*** at the April 12, 2021 PUD board meeting, which was open to the public.

**ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 3:26 PM.

**ATTEST:**

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President

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Vice President

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Secretary

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*A detailed transcript of this meeting via audio recording is available to the public on the Commission Meetings page of the PUD website here: <https://clallampud.net/commission-meetings/>.*

April 25, 2022