

**Skamania County Public Utility District #1
Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners**

September 8th, 2011

A Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by President Dennis Gale at 9:00am at the PUD office in Carson, WA. The following persons were present: Commissioner Curt Esch; Commissioner Dennis Gale; Commissioner Leach; Robert Gentry, Interim General Manager; Auditor, Jasen McEathron; HR Coordinator/WO, Shonna Taylor; Accountant, Salvie Stevens; General Foreman, Gary Leonard; Consultant, Mike Beanland from Triaxis.

The purpose of the Special Meeting was to hold a Budget Workshop. Manager, Robert Gentry, presented the 2012 Budget to the Commission. Mike Beanland from Triaxis gave an overview of the five substations owned by the District and discussed the proposed capital improvements with staff and the Board. General Foreman, Gary Leonard, was also available to answer questions regarding the most important improvements needed for reliability to the District's facilities.

Auditor, Jasen McEathron, presented the proposed Fleet Rotation Schedule for review by the Commission.

Break at 10:20 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

Tom Vance, Water Distribution Manager and Brent Gruber from Wallis Engineering joined the meeting at 10:30 a.m. and gave an overview and answered questions of proposed capital improvements of both the Carson Water System and Underwood Water System.

Break at 11:15 a.m.

Meeting reconvened at 11:22 a.m.

The Commission and Management Staff discussed at length the proposed rate increases on the three systems. After review of the proposed 2012 Budget the Commission directed staff to present the following at the next regular meeting on September 19, 2011.

- Change column comparisons
- Add to capitalization column
- Different scenarios with the rates on the Electric System from 4.2% to 6.9%

Break for lunch at 12:30 p.m.

Meeting reconvened at 1:45 p.m.

Staff will send the revised budget with suggested changes to the Commission as soon as it is available.

The Commission reviewed and discussed the budget of the Carson Water System and Underwood Water System and the proposed rate increases.

Meeting adjourned at 2:35 p.m.

Dennis Gale, President

Curt Esch, Secretary

The next regularly scheduled Board of Commissioner's Meeting will be:
Monday, September 19th, 2011 at 9:00 am