

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

August 25th, 2016

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Acting President Liz Green at 8:05 a.m. at the offices of Landerholm, 805 Broadway Street, Suite 218, Vancouver, WA. The special meeting was for the purpose of participating in settlement negotiations in the matter of Esch vs. Skamania County PUD, et. al., Skamania County Superior Court case No. 13-2-00109-0. The following persons were present: Commissioner Liz Green, Commissioner Dan Boyes, Manager Brent Bischoff, PUD Attorney Ramsey Ramerman, and Attorney Daniel Kearns private legal counsel to Commissioner Green. Commissioner Curt Esch was excused from the meeting.

The meeting was called to order by Commissioner Green at 8:05 a.m.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 8:05 a.m. to discuss litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for a duration of 55 minutes. Commissioner Green, Commissioner Boyes, Manager Bischoff, Attorney Ramerman, and Attorney Kearns were in attendance. Executive session was extended 25 minutes and ended at 9:25 a.m.

Ten-minute break.

Back in open session at 9:35 a.m. Commissioner Green made an opening statement. Sherry Esch read a statement.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 10:20 a.m. to discuss litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for a duration of 5 minutes. Commissioner Green, Commissioner Boyes, Manager Bischoff, Attorney Ramerman, and Attorney Kearns were in attendance. Executive session ended at 10:25 a.m.

Attorney Ramerman states for the record that there are many facts in the record contrary to those in Mrs. Esch's statement and should the matter be resolved today, it should not be construed as an endorsement of Mrs. Esch's statement.

Settlement negotiations begin.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 11:00 a.m. to discuss litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for a duration of 10 minutes. Commissioner Green, Commissioner Boyes, Manager Bischoff, Attorney Ramerman, and Attorney Kearns were in attendance. Executive session was extended 10 minutes and ended at 11:20 a.m.

Five-minute break.

Settlement negotiations continue.

Five-minute break.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 11:45 a.m. to discuss litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for a duration of 5 minutes. Commissioner Green, Commissioner Boyes, Manager Bischoff, Attorney Ramerman, and Attorney Kearns were in attendance. Executive session ended at 11:50 a.m.

Settlement negotiations continue.

Lunch break at 12:35 p.m. for 45 minutes.

At 1:20 p.m. lunch break ended and settlement negotiations continue.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 1:40 p.m. to discuss litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for a duration of 5 minutes. Commissioner Green, Commissioner Boyes, Manager Bischoff, Attorney Ramerman, and Attorney Kearns were in attendance. Executive session ended at 1:45 p.m.

Settlement negotiations continue.

Fifteen-minute break at 2:00 p.m. Break extended 5 minutes.

Settlement negotiations continued until 2:35 p.m.

Commissioner Green made a **motion** to agree to the Release and Settlement Agreement with Sherry Esch as well as the Stipulation Order of Final Judgement. Commissioner Boyes **seconded** the motion. The **motion passed** (2-0) Commissioners Green and Boyes for and Commissioner Esch excused from the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 2:40 p.m.

Liz Green, Secretary

Dan Boyes

The next regular scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting will be:
September 6, 2016 at 9 a.m.