

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

August 19, 2013

A regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Curt Esch at 9:00 a.m. at the PUD office in Carson, WA. The following persons were present: Commissioner Curt Esch; Commissioner Dennis Gale; Commissioner Clyde Leach (attended until 9:50 a.m. via phone); Auditor Jasen McEathron; Project Coordinator Melanie Sharp; and Attorney Ken Woodrich.

MINUTES:

- Commissioner Gale made a **motion** and Commissioner Esch stepped down and **seconded** to approve the August 5, 2013 minutes. **Motion passed unanimously to approve the minutes.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- None.

OLD BUSINESS:

- None.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

- None.

NEW BUSINESS:

- **Resolution No. 2433 – Electric Construction Fund Transfer** – Auditor McEathron presented Resolution No. 2433. He noted that a majority of the costs were for pole change outs. Commissioner Gale made a **motion** and Commissioner Leach **seconded** to approve Resolution No. 2431 transferring \$48,505.97 from the Electric Construction Fund to the Electric General Fund. **Motion passed unanimously.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- District #1 County Commissioner Brong extended an invitation to the board to visit the Skamania County board meetings at any time. He discussed his interest in developing infrastructure throughout the county and promoting community development. He also expressed concern about the wastewater treatment in the Carson area. He welcomes discussions with the Commissioners about our efforts on these topics. Commissioner Esch inquired about the format of discussions and Commissioner Brong suggested a roundtable discussion as a first step. Commissioner Gale discussed our interest in the WRIA 29 process and Project Coordinator Sharp discussed a future presentation by Ecology regarding instream flows.

Entered into Executive Session at 9:30 a.m. to discuss Current Litigation per RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) for a duration of 10 minutes. Executive Session was extended 10 additional minutes. The meeting resumed at 9:50 a.m.

AUDITOR’S REPORT:

- **Change Order – Dobbins Road URD Project** - Auditor McEathron reported that the Dobbins Road URD Project had some unanticipated costs due to activities related to significant errors with the underground telephone locates. The contractor is putting together an estimate of the additional costs, which will be discussed at the next board meeting
- **Bad Debts**- Auditor McEathron presented bad debts for August in the amount of \$4,784.63. After discussion, Commissioner Gale made a **motion** and Commissioner Esch stepped down and **seconded** to approve the Bad Debts. **Motion passed unanimously.**
- **2nd Quarter Financial Reports** - Auditor McEathron presented the 2nd Quarter Financial Report for 2013 showing positive overall fiscal trends. Commissioner Gale requested additional information regarding how close the PUD is to entering the Tier 2 rate category and what additional wind generation will be allowed by BPA.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- None.

MANAGER’S REPORT:

- None.

COMMISSONER’S REPORT:

- None.

CALENDAR:

- Special Meeting – WPUDA will visit the Skamania PUD on August 29, 2013 starting with an executive session at 1pm followed by a workshop.

VOUCHER APPROVAL:

After discussion Commissioner made a **motion** and Commissioner Esch stepped down and **seconded** to approve the vouchers audited and certified as Gale required by RCW 42.24.080 and RCW 42.24.090. **Motion passed unanimously.**

Voucher	Number	Amount
Electric System	49470-49539	\$234,624.46
Carson Water	6168-6175	\$7,426.28
Underwood Water	3640-3642	\$4,726.95

PUBLIC COMMENT:

- None.

Meeting adjourned at 10:43 a.m.

Clyde Leach, President

Dennis Gale, Secretary

The next regular scheduled Board of Commissioners' Meeting will be
Tuesday, September 3, 2013 at 9:00 a.m.