

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 13, 2009  
OF  
PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1  
OF  
THURSTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

The first regular meeting for October 2009, of the Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 was called to order on Tuesday October 13, 2009, at 921 Lakeridge Way SW, Suite 201, Olympia, WA 98502, commencing at 5:00 p.m. Commissioners Alan Corwin, Paul Pickett and Chris Stearns were present. Also present were John Weidenfeller, General Manager, Don Taylor the District's Attorney, and Jennifer Anderson, Clerk to the Board.

Commissioner Corwin called the general meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

**Approval of agenda:**

Commissioner Corwin requested a motion for approval of the agenda.

**Commissioner Pickett moved adoption of the agenda, Commissioner Stearns seconded and all approved.**

**Public Comment**

None

**Consent Calendar:**

Improvement Authorizations

Approval of Minutes: September 22, 2009

Approval of Minutes: October 5, 2009

Prequalification of Contractors – Small Works Roster

Travel Approvals

Other –

Voucher Approval

1) Accounts Payable 9/9/09, 9/16/09, 9/23/09, 9/30/209

2) Payroll 9/21/09, 10/5/09

Resolutions:

Res. 09-45 2010 Budget Adoption

Res. 09-46 2010 Rates

Res. 09-47 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment to 2009 Budget

**Commissioner Stearns moved to adopt the consent calendar, as amended with Resolution 09-39 removed and added to Action Items, Commissioner Pickett Seconded, all approved.**

**Presentation:**

**Staff Presentations:**

General Manager's Report: John Weidenfeller, General Manager

The GM presented a written report. He noted a Thanksgiving social event is scheduled for November 20<sup>th</sup> and he proposed that it be announced as a special meeting. It was decided to continue the regular meeting of November 10<sup>th</sup> to November 20<sup>th</sup> so that a notice will not be required. The December 8<sup>th</sup> meeting will be continued to December 22<sup>nd</sup> for a PUD Holiday social event, which will start early.

The GM expects the final meeting with the auditor will be in early November and we will try to schedule the exit brief at a Commission meeting. If this is not possible, he would like one Commissioner to attend.

There will be a meeting on November 7<sup>th</sup> with a local community interested in PUD services. Commissioner Pickett said he would plan to attend to represent the Board.

Operations Manager's Report: Kim Gubbe, Operations Manager  
OM presented a written report in her absence,

Chief Financial Officer's Report:  
No report

**Commissioner Reports:**

Commissioner Stearns

Commissioner Stearns attended the Tumwater city council meeting where they passed the purchase of the Lathrop system.

Commissioner Pickett

Commissioner Pickett attended the TRPC meeting where he listened to the Hazardous Mitigation Plan update. Since we are a party to it, it will come back to us for approval in mid-December at earliest. He also sent emails to the Chehalis and Squaxin Island Tribes about scheduling meetings with us but he has not yet received a reply.

Commissioner Corwin

Commissioner Corwin proposed that the PUD consider promoting energy conservation by providing an incentive for employees who commute to work by riding the bus, walking, taking a van pool, biking, or sharing rides. This would demonstrate the PUD's commitment to save energy and reduce our carbon footprint. The other Board members were in favor. Commissioner Pickett will provide a description of the Department of Ecology's program, and staff will look into other models.

**Information Discussion of Operations/Policy Issues:**

**Action Items:**

Request for Motion – Connection Issue – 319 DWS (Little)

The GM gave a brief overview of the issue.

**Commissioner Stearns moved to authorize staff to waive the facility and connection charges for the pre-existing connections of Mr. & Mrs. Little and to waive billing for the service prior to September 2009. Commissioner Pickett seconded, all approved.**

**Resolutions:**

Res. 09-39 Contract with Robinson, Noble & Saltbush – Hydrogeology Services

**Commissioner Pickett moved to adopt Resolution 09-39 Contract with Robinson, Noble & Saltbush – Hydrogeology Services, Commissioner Stearns seconded, all approved.**

**Legal Report**

Mr. Taylor reported that he read the Resolutions presented tonight and approved the contract with the changes that were made.

**Executive Session**

Commissioner Corwin opened an Executive Session at 5:28 p.m. to discuss potential litigation and real estate acquisitions (RCW 42.31.110). The Board closed the Executive Session at 6:10 p.m. and returned to the Regular meeting.

**Summary of Assignments:**

1. Commissioner Pickett will send a copy the Ecology commute trip reduction incentive policy to the GM.
2. GM will bring forward an incentive plan to encourage employees to ride the bus, walk, use van pools, bike, or share rides to save energy and reduce our carbon footprint by reducing single occupancy vehicle commute trips to work.

**Adjournment:**

**There being no further business, Commissioner Stearns moved to adjourn the Thurston PUD Board meeting at 6:20 p.m., seconded by Commissioner Pickett, all approved.**

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President

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Secretary