

MINUTES OF  
REGULAR MEETING OF COMMISSIONERS  
OF PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 3  
OF MASON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Vice President Farmer called the regular meeting of the Mason PUD 3 No. 3 board of commissioners to order at 10:00 a.m. The meeting was held in the PUD 3 auditorium, at 2621 E Johns Prairie Road in Shelton, Washington and virtually using Microsoft Teams in Shelton, Washington, on Tuesday, June 28, 2022.

District officers present were: Commissioners Linda R. Gott (virtual), Bruce E. Jorgenson and Thomas J. Farmer; Manager Annette Creekpau; Attorney Robert Johnson; Finance Manager/Treasurer Sherry Speaks, and Risk Manager/Auditor Brian Taylor.

The following PUD 3 personnel were present: IS Manager John Bennett; Communications & Government Relations Manager Lynn Eaton; Customer Service Manager Diane Hennessy; Director of Engineering & Utility Services Justin Holzgrove; System Engineering Manager Tom Johnson; Energy Services Manager Koral Miller; Network Systems & Cyber Security Joel Moore; Administration Services Manager Mary Taylor-Monger (virtual recorded minutes).

Members of the public in attendance were Marty Crow of Shelton, Randy Lewis of Shelton, Bri Sheetz of Shelton and Juli Tuson of Shelton (virtual).

MODIFICATION AND/OR APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as presented.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Farmer reviewed the items listed on the consent agenda. Mr. Jorgenson moved; motion seconded by Ms. Gott to adopt the consent agenda. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY. By adopting the consent agenda, the following items were approved:

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| a. Minutes of the June 07, 2022, regular commission meeting.  |                        |
| b. Voucher Nos. (June 14, 2022) 161376 through 161488<br>(Includes electronic funds transfer payment Nos. 34045-34248)                          | \$ 1,444,047.88        |
| c. Voucher Nos. (June 21, 2022) 161489 through 161549<br>(Includes electronic funds transfer payment Nos. 34249-34274)                          | \$ 2,586,650.98        |
| d. Voucher Nos. (June 28, 2022) 161550 through 161608<br>(Include electronic funds transfer payment Nos. 34275-34469)                           | <u>\$ 1,434,057.20</u> |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>\$ 5,464,756.06</b> |
| e. Governance Policy Expense Approval   |                        |
| f. Void accounts payable for the week ending June 10, 2022 in the total amount of \$1,470.64 and June 17, 2022 in the total amount of \$5,065.8 |                        |

\*Vouchers audited and certified by the district auditing officer as required by RCW 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by RCW 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing which has been made available to the board.

### ACTION ITEM

Recommendation was made to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Shelton School District Campus Connect Program.

At Mrs. Creekpaum's request, Mr. Holzgrove described the five (5) year Interlocal Agreement. This is an internet redundancy program to back up the School District's current fiber in the event of connection problems.

After a brief discussion, Mr. Farmer moved, seconded by Ms. Gott to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Shelton School District Campus Connect Program. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Lewis provided public comment

### STAFF REPORT

Mrs. Speaks reviewed the status of the budget as of May 31, 2022, with the commissioners. The month-end receipts for May were \$7.7 million, expenditures were \$7.6 million. Finishing the month of May with a month end positive budget of \$148,000.

Mrs. Speaks then provided the treasurer's report of funds through May 2022. The opening cash balance for May was \$6.6 million and was \$6.5 million at month's end. The total of all funds at month-end were \$34 million

Mrs. Creekpaum reported on the current COVID-19 efforts. As of June 27, 2022, there are 13,342 confirmed COVID-19 cases, and one hundred forty-three (143) COVID related deaths in Mason County. There were 318 new confirmed cases in the last fourteen (14) days. Washington State as of June 27, 2022, has 1.6 million confirmed COVID-19 cases and 13,227 COVID related deaths. She stated that PUD 3 had nine (9) reported confirmed cases since the last commission meeting. As of June 18, 2022 the Center for Disease Control (CDC) has approved vaccinations for children five (5) years to six (6) months of age.

At Mrs. Creekpaum's request, Mr. Holzgrove reported on and shared a video about the successful planned outage and transmission pole line replacement on the Tahuya Peninsula June 14, 2022. He continued his discussion by describing the upcoming projects that involve planned outages to replace more transmission poles in the north part of the county.

Mrs. Creekpaum stated that the Olympic View Generation Site Property sale deed has been signed. The expected date for the sale to close is June 30, 2022.

At Mrs. Creekpaum's request, Mrs. Eaton discussed notification from Representative Kilmer's office that the \$3 million appropriations request submitted on behalf of his office for the Belfair infrastructure project has been moved out of subcommittee and is being considered today by the full committee. We anticipate that if it does not pass in the timeline this year that it will be early in the fiscal year 2023.

Mrs. Creekpauum reported that Standard and Poors has reconfirmed Mason PUD 3's A plus bond rating with stable outlook. They had several positive comments about the utility.

### COMMISSIONER REPORTS

Mr. Farmer reported that he attended the NoaNet monthly meeting, the Digital Equity Forum through the Department of Commerce and the monthly WPAG meeting.


Ms. Gott reported that she visited the work site during the June 14<sup>th</sup> planned outage and watched some of the pole replacements. She attended the virtual Energy Northwest meeting, which was her last executive board meeting. She attended the State Auditor Office (SAO) exit audit where PUD 3 was awarded another clean audit.

### DISCUSSION ITEM

Mr. Farmer requested a discussion at the next commission meeting regarding the Energy Northwest extended power upgrade (EPU) to achieve 170 megawatts.

### GOOD OF THE ORDER

With no further business appearing, the commission meeting adjourned at 10:40 a.m.



Linda R. Gott (Jul 12, 2022 11:19 PDT)

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Linda R. Gott, President



Thomas J Farmer (Jul 13, 2022 09:42 PDT)

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Thomas J. Farmer, Vice President

ATTEST:



Bruce E. Jorgenson (Jul 13, 2022 09:46 PDT)

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Bruce E. Jorgenson, Secretary