

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF CLALLAM COUNTY  
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
MARCH 19, 2007

The regular weekly meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Clallam County was held at the Port Angeles Office, 2431 East Highway 101, on the above date commencing at 1:30 p.m.

Commissioners present were: Hugh E. Simpson, Jr., Vice President, and W.E. Purser, Secretary. Commissioner Haffner was excused.

Staff present were: Michael Kitz, Acting General Manager; Joshua Bunch, Treasurer Controller; Ken Foster, District Auditor; Roger Hosto, Operations Superintendent; Judi Chapman, Human Resources Manager; Andrew Skerbeck, Meter Reader; Scott Tucker, Meter Reader; and Carol Biss, Executive Assistant.

Others present were: Ron Browning, Brian Gawley, Eloise Kailin, and Teri Martin.

On motion of Commissioner Purser, seconded by Commissioner Simpson and carried, the Commission approved the minutes of the March 12, 2007 regular weekly meeting as submitted.

The Commissioners welcomed two new employees: Scott Tucker, Meter Reader Class III – Port Angeles, and Andrew Skerbeck, Meter Reader Class II – Sequim.

Upon recommendation of staff and on motion of Commissioner Purser, seconded by Commissioner Simpson and carried, the Commission awarded Contract 070801 to Bowers Power Systems for a towable generator in the amount of \$119,492.57, including Washington State sales tax.

Upon recommendation of staff and on motion of Commissioner Purser, seconded by Commissioner Simpson and carried, the Commission approved removal of delinquent accounts in the amount of \$6,685.29 from the active accounts receivable.

Mr. Brian Gawley asked which legislative bills were of interest to PUDs. Commissioner Simpson said that, the Washington PUD Association was tracking a number of bills and discussed the Association's interest in the stolen metal property bills, Public Works Trust Fund bills, and bills promoting cleanup and pollution prevention in Puget Sound.

Mr. Ron Browning talked about an article in the Peninsula Daily News (March 16, 2007), which reported that the City of Port Angeles notified its water customers that its water system did not meet treatment requirements by the state Department of Health. Mr. Browning asked what action the District would take. Acting General Manager Kitz said that the Department of Health would require the District to send a similar notice quarterly to District customers who receive drinking water that the District purchases from the City of Port Angeles.

A list of claim vouchers as certified by the General Manager and District Auditor was considered. On motion of Commissioner Purser, seconded by Commissioner Simpson and carried, the Commission approved payment of claim vouchers in the amount of \$812,629.01 for March 19, 2007. District Auditor Foster reported that the claim vouchers included three rebates for conservation programs totaling \$1,249.36.

Commissioner Purser reported that Richard Ecker from the Battelle Sequim Marine Research Operation (Pacific Northwest National Laboratory) spoke at a Clallam County Economic Development Council Board meeting last week. The research facility has the land to expand in marine biotechnology, ecology, coastal security, health and other areas, but has not yet found an entity to provide the water and sewer services that would be needed.

Commissioner Simpson discussed two legislative bills that did not make it out of their House of origin for this session: the utility pole attachment bill and the bill pertaining to telecommunications authority of PUDs. He also reported on a Port Angeles Business Association meeting where Clallam County Sheriff Bill Benedict was the speaker.

Treasurer Controller Bunch presented the Treasurer's Report for February 2007. The total amount invested was \$20,247,656.58; cash totaled \$3,482,867.09; and interest for the month totaled \$149,036.11.

Mr. Bunch reported that staff is in the process of purchasing new remittance processing equipment. Along with the equipment upgrade, staff is evaluating changing to electronic deposits.

Attendance meetings was approved.

There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 2:19 p.m. to meet again, Monday, March 26, 2007, at 1:30 p.m. in the Port Angeles office.