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 1:33 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Hugh Haffner, President; Hugh E. Simpson, Jr., Vice President

Commissioner Purser was excused.

Staff Present: Doug Nass, General Manager; Dennis Shaw, General Superintendent; David Papandrew, Treasurer Controller; Michael Howe, Communications & Government Relations Manager; Nicole Clark, Executive Assistant; Fred Mitchell, Power Supply & Utility Services Manager; Steve Schopfer, IT Manager

Others Present: Nancy Neraas; Ross Krumpe

On motion of Commissioner Simpson, seconded by Commissioner Haffner and carried, the Commission approved the minutes of the September 15, 2014 regular meeting.

Nancy Neraas presented information pertaining to the bond resolution. The difference between this one and previous resolutions is that we typically would adopt the resolution just after the bond sale. New legislation permits municipalities to authorize the bonds and set parameters and so as long as those parameters are met, it allows the authorized individuals to set the final details. This allows the municipality more flexibility and ability to take advantage of the best days to finalize a sale. Upon recommendation of staff and on motion of Commissioner Simpson, seconded by Commissioner Haffner and carried, the Commission adopted Resolution 2015-14, authorizing the issuance and sale of electric system revenue bonds.

Upon recommendation of staff and on motion of Commissioner Simpson, seconded by Commissioner Haffner and carried, the Commission adopted Resolution 2016-14 authorizing the disposal of surplus property.

Upon recommendation of staff and on motion of Commissioner Simpson, seconded by Commissioner Haffner and carried, the Commission awarded the bid for the construction of three facilities for the District to Neeley Construction & Cabinet Company in the amount of $10,235,000.00 (not including WSST) #140804.

Upon recommendation of staff and on motion of Commissioner Simpson, seconded by Commissioner Haffner and carried, the Commission approved removal of delinquent accounts from the active accounts receivable on the list dated August 5, 2014 in the total amount of $7,939.71, including a collection fee of $1,790.01; and on the list dated August 29, 2014 in the total amount of $6,180.46, including a collection fee of $1,333.40.

Public comment was received as follow-up on the smart meter discussion and it was reiterated that the District is not implementing a District-wide smart meter program and that customers can both opt-in and opt-out of the radio-read meters.

Correspondence and communication items were reviewed.

A list of claim vouchers as certified by the General Manager and Auditing Officer were considered. On motion of Commissioner Simpson seconded by Commissioner Haffner and carried, the Commission approved payment of claim vouchers in the amount of $2,138,824.75 for September 22, 2014.

Commissioner Simpson reported that he attended the District’s anti-harassment training, and the September WPUDA committee meetings.
Commissioner Haffner reported that he attended the WPUDA September committee meetings, and to the Port Townsend Energy Luncheon.

Communications & Government Relations Manager Michael Howe reported on the Washington PUD Association's proposed changes to the Energy Independence Act. The idea is to get out and talk to communities about a policy approach that gives PUDs flexibility so they can act in the best interests of their customers while still maintaining the intent of the Act. A discussion was held about customer outreach and education in order to best explain the value of keeping funds in the community in the form of conservation rather than in renewable energy credits which the District must purchase to be in compliance but which do not directly benefit the ratepayers.


There being no further business to come before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m. to meet again on Monday, September 29, 2014, at 1:30 p.m. at the Port Angeles Main Office.