

P.U.D. #1 of Ferry County Board Meeting Summary

The 07/17/17 Board Meeting was called to order with Commissioners Kroupa, Fagerlie and Aubertin, Manager Friederichs, Attorney Graham, Engineer/Superintendent VanSlyke, Auditor Nush, and Treasurer Allen present.

- ▶ The Minutes of the June meeting were approved.
- ▶ Manager Friederichs received good comments about the Sunday outage picnic. Commissioner Fagerlie was asked how to purchase surplus poles from the Utility. Warehouseman/Mechanic Mike Brown is the person to contact to see if there are any available, and their condition and price.
- ▶ Engineer/Superintendent VanSlyke provided an overview of operations for the last month. During the BPA outage, District crews were also out doing work. A discussion followed on the Utility's trimming of trees that are near its lines. Mr. VanSlyke indicated that he tries to work with customers on trees that need to be trimmed, where possible, but the right of way must be maintained. Kinross has put out bids for reclaiming the Buckhorn road. Some of the underground power line may need to be moved as part of the reclamation work. One bid has been received to enclose three open bays at the shop. Warehouseman/Mechanic Mike Brown has been contacting other contractors to try to get more bids. The new tree trimming truck will be here tomorrow. Truck 17 is in Colville having a refurbished motor installed. Pend Oreille County PUD General Manager Colin Willenbrock will be coming to talk to the Utility about the possibility of Ferry County PUD purchasing power from them.
- ▶ Attorney Graham will work with Treasurer Allen to collect payment from a business that has not paid its final bill.
- ▶ Correspondence received since the last Board meeting was discussed. A thank you note was received from Sam Jenkins for night lights provided for the recent search and rescue conference. A request was received for a donation to the Ferry County Fairgrounds. The District is unable to donate. A discussion followed about whether or not it is permissible to give grant money to public entities for economic development or conservation projects.
- ▶ Commissioner Kroupa will attend PPC and NRU meetings in Portland in August. Commissioner Fagerlie will attend the WPUDA meeting this week in Ocean Shores. Commissioner Aubertin will attend an Energy Northwest meeting in Pasco.
- ▶ Manager Friederichs and Deputy Auditor Marilee Kuehne attended a CWPU meeting in Ephrata. The possibility of restructuring it as only an insurance group is being investigated. The BPA outage went well. Remaining work should be scheduled on some smaller outages, so this was the last year for the outage picnic. The school has requested some tree trimming and an interlocal agreement has been put in place. Commissioner Fagerlie asked why the school is not paying for a private arborist to come in and do the work. Mr. VanSlyke responded that it is a small job, and the District will not get involved in large projects.
- ▶ The new conservation agreement was received from BPA. Manager Friederichs has not had the opportunity to review it yet. Pend Oreille County PUD is putting together the information for the unused funds that will be laterally transferred.
- ▶ The commissioners presented information from meetings they attended since the last Board Meeting.
- ▶ The Board reviewed a draft job description for the Manager's position and made some changes. Commissioner Fagerlie will work on a draft ad for the position for the Board to review at the next meeting.
- ▶ The Treasurer's monthly report was presented.
- ▶ Auditor Nush presented the Financial and Statistical reports and the warrants processed during the month were approved.
- ▶ For additional information visit our website at www.fcpud.com or contact our Commissioners:

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