

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

The 08/17/15 Board Meeting was called to order with Commissioners Fagerlie and Kroupa, Manager Friederichs, Attorney Graham, Superintendent VanSlyke, Auditor Nush and Treasurer Jurgensen present Commissioner Aubertin was unable to attend due to fire emergencies.

- ▶ The Minutes of the July meeting were approved.
- ▶ There were no visitors.
- ▶ An Executive Session was held to discuss potential litigation.
- ▶ The recent Bonneville outage and surrounding forest fires were discussed.
- ▶ Superintendent/Engineer VanSlyke provided an overview of operations for the previous month. Primary focus has been dealing with the fires. Current concern is the Graves Mtn. Fire along the B.P.A. transmission line over Sherman Pass. The generator, provided by Echo Bay and located at the Republic Schools has been tested and is now ready to be used. The LED lighting proposal to update the types of outdoor lighting offered to customers was again discussed. The after hours emergency crew call-out was briefly discussed. Seems to be working very well.
- ▶ The Manager's report was presented. A brief discussion was held regarding a "Letter to the Editor" regarding the annual, B.P.A. power outage. Commissioner Fagerlie and Manager Friederichs will attend the September WPUA meeting in Wenatchee. The recent power outage caused by damage to the B.P.A. line over Sherman was again discussed. The Crew Foreman and Serviceman positions will be posted to be filled. Both have been filled temporarily and the maximum time this is possible is six months. Bids will be accepted until 09/28. Union requirements for reduction in compensation were briefly discussed. The IBEW 77 Union Representative met with Utility personnel regarding the establishing of a tree trimming crew. The Utility will advertise to fill these positions. The current crew is working out very well and are doing excellent work. Manager Friederichs, Auditor Nush and Deputy Auditor Kuehne attended a CUIP meeting to learn more about the direction from the State Auditor's office regarding short-term leave and how to correctly calculate retirement benefits. The Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer positions were discussed. A new position description will be developed for the Deputy Treasurer position to add compliance monitoring duties. There is the possibility that the local hospital will be able to partner with the Utility in providing Wellness type testing. The Utility's new B.P.A. Transmission Representative is Mr. Dana Wolfe. The Conservation program continues to move along. Items for the Fair Booth have arrived.
- ▶ The Commissioners Kroupa presented an overview of the meetings he attended. He was the only Commissioner traveling during the month.
- ▶ The Treasurer's monthly report was presented.
- ▶ The Auditor presented the Financial and Statistical reports and the warrants processed during the month were approved. The Utility has received B.P.A.'s rate impact model. The preliminary 2016 Budget presented and discussed.
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