

PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF FERRY COUNTY
REGULAR MEETING OF COMMISSIONERS
April 15, 2024

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Kroupa at 9:00 a.m. Present were Commissioners Doug Aubertin, Chris Kroupa and Dan Fagerlie, Manager Steve VanSlyke, Superintendent Mike Brown, Auditor Sue Nush, and Treasurer Pam Allen. Attorney Steve Graham joined the meeting remotely at 10:00 a.m.

All stood for the Flag Salute.

The minutes of the regular March meeting were approved by a motion made by Commissioner Fagerlie, seconded by Commissioner Aubertin, and unanimously carried.

Visitors: None.

Public Comments: None.

Reports:

The Superintendent's Report was presented by Mike Brown:

1. A Job Corps crew is working on the south side of the office building to replace siding and windows. Another crew will be working to replace the wooden fence in the front with a block wall. When that is finished, a smaller version of the PUD murals will be placed on it, facing Clark Avenue.
2. Superintendent Brown updated the Board on the 10 Mile Access Trail Project. The District is working to get DOT access permits.

A recess was called at 9:40 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. The meeting resumed at 10:00 a.m. Attorney Graham joined the meeting remotely at this time.

Attorney's Report:

1. Attorney Graham met with Manager VanSlyke about the Schultz's bill. Attorney Graham believes an agreement can be reached.

The Manager's Report was presented by Steve VanSlyke:

1. Manager VanSlyke was able to consign the District's no-cost CCA allowances to the June auction.
2. The roll-out of AMI meters throughout the remainder of the District has been slowed by firmware issues with the meter manufacturer. Manager VanSlyke is waiting for the vendor to improve before placing another large order for meters.
3. Resolution 24-01 A Resolution Updating the Alternate Bid Procedures for Purchasing and Public Works was presented to the Board. Commissioner Fagerlie made a motion to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Aubertin seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

The Treasurer's Report was presented by Pam Allen:

1. The regular Treasurer's reports were mailed to the Board for review prior to the meeting. Operating Funds available as of April 9, 2024 were \$4,693,460.73 with restricted funds of \$3,008,435.72. There were 4 outages in the month of March, for a year-to-date total of 24 compared to 23 for the same period in 2023. The Large Power Summary, Revolving Loan and Line Extension Loan reports were also included in the mailed packet.
2. Treasurer Allen updated the Board on CETA low-income energy assistance. The required report was submitted to the state on March 29th. The State Auditor's Office has informed the District that it is non-compliant with the requirements for CETA assistance, as are all PUDs in the state.

The Auditor's Report was mailed to the Board prior to the meeting.

1. The voucher listing was presented to the Board.
2. Warrants number 22575 through 22653, Direct Payroll Deposits number 907101 through 907139, and Electronic Fund Transfers number 1052 and 1054 through 1057, in the total amount of \$689,831.26 were approved by a motion made by Commissioner Fagerlie, seconded by Commissioner Aubertin, and unanimously carried.
3. Cost and usage graphs were presented and discussed.

The commissioners presented information from meetings they attended since the last Board Meeting.

With no other business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 11:53 a.m.

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