

Public Utility District No. 1 of Klickitat County  
**Board of Commissioners Meeting**  
**Tuesday, July 14, 2020**

**A G E N D A**

ONE TIME USE Call in number option: 888-387-8686 (Participant Pin No. 7737637#)  
**Due to the office closure associated with COVID-19 precautionary standards, we will not have public present at our meeting.**

Time: KPUD Commission Meeting Start Time - 2:00 p.m. as advertised

Location: 1313 S. Columbus Ave. - Goldendale, WA

➤ **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

➤ Approval of Minutes - 6/23/2020 Meeting

➤ Approval of Claims/Vouchers for period ending 7/14/2020 *(Cynthia Bruce)*

➤ Approval of Payroll for period ending 6/21/2020 and 7/05/2020 *(Cynthia Bruce)*

➤ **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**

**REPORTS - 10 min. each:**

- Finance and Power Management update  
*(Mike DeMott)*
- Commissioners' Reports
- Assistant General Manager Operational Report *(Gwyn Miller)*
- Manager's Bi-Monthly Report *(Jim Smith)*  
*(see attached report)*

**GUESTS:**

**AGENDA ITEMS** - *(see Manager's Report for further details)*

A. Resolution 1789 Surplus of Materials - *(Jeff Thayer)*

B. Resolution 1790 Surplus of Vehicles - *(Jeff Thayer)*

C. KPUD COVID-19 Customer Support Program Website Update - *(Brandy Myers)*

D. Strategic Meter Modernization Program Presentation - *(Brandon Johnson)*

E. Water/Wastewater General Facilities Charges, Connection Fee, and Supporting Policies Proposal - *(Sharon Blodgett, Russ Patton, and Jim Smith)*

F. Professional Services Approval *(Jim Smith)*

**ADJOURNMENT**

**FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER:**

WPUDA 2020 July Association Meeting - July 15-17 *(via Zoom)*

KPUD Strategic Planning Session - August 27, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Note: Agenda is subject to last-minute revisions, which may include the board calling for an executive session.



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## GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT TO THE BOARD

For the July 14, 2020 Meeting

### AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. Resolution 1789 Surplus of Miscellaneous Materials - Jeff Thayer is requesting that we surplus miscellaneous materials that are no longer compatible or have become obsolete. These items have an original purchase price of less than \$10,000.
- B. Resolution 1790 Surplus of Vehicles - Jeff Thayer is requesting that we surplus vehicle 328 and 403. The operating expenses to use these vehicles continue to increase due to the high mileage and equipment hours.
- C. KPUD COVID-19 Customer Support Program Website Update - Brandy Myers will review our current programs and provide updates on the status of these programs. We are asking for the board to authorize the General Manager to approve the website updates regarding the programs. The state has issued guidance to PUDs that programs must be centrally located and easy to find when accessing our website.
- D. Strategic Meter Modernization Program Presentation - Brandon Johnson will provide you with a staff evaluation overview of a meter modernization program. We are currently conducting a free trial across the county. There are several accounts in each area of the county that were selected for testing to obtain an objective view of connectivity feasibility for this cellular-based program.
- E. Water/Wastewater General Facilities Charges, Connection Fee, and Supporting Policies 1st Draft Proposal Review – Staff have reviewed the GFC's, connection fees, and policies 15,18, and 19. They discussed the general changes with you on June 23. They are requesting that the Board approve the updated fees and policies.
- F. Professional Services Approval - We are requesting approval of H&H Solutions. We have utilized Therese Hampton's services in previous years to work through our strategic planning sessions and wish to employ her services again this year.

### NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

1. **Goldendale Energy Storage Project FERC License Application** - The final license application was filed by National Grid and Rye Development on June 22. If you are interested, the application can be downloaded from Rye's website at:

<https://www.ryedevelopment.com/projectstor/goldendale-washington/>

There is also an article on the project in Clearing Up from Friday, June 26 Clearing Up.

2. **DNR Wildland Fire Mitigation Task Force Committee** - We held a meeting last week remotely. I still think there will be positive outcomes. Unfortunately, with many DNR staff assigned to COVID-related duties and with the fire season starting, I am not sure we will meet the goal to deliver a report to the legislature by December of this year.
3. **Strategic Planning** - We are still planning on August 27, so please mark your calendars.

With my being out of the office, this report is pretty abbreviated. I will provide more updates at the meeting.