

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF MAY 18, 2021
OF
PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1
OF
THURSTON COUNTY, WASHINGTON

The first special meeting for May 2021 of the Commissioners of Public Utility District No. 1 of Thurston County was called to order on Tuesday, May 18, 2021, commencing at 5:00 p.m. Commissioners Russell E. Olsen, Linda Oosterman, and Chris Stearns were present for the teleconference meeting hosted via Zoom. The following District employees and individuals were also present for the meeting.

- John Weidenfeller, General Manager (GM)
- Julie Parker, Assistant General Manager (AGM)
- TaSeana Tartt, Finance & Customer Service Manager (FCSM)
- Ruth Clemens, Administrative Services Manager (ASM)
- Joseph R. Rehberger, Legal Counsel
- Kurin Miller, Clerk to the Board

Call to Order: Commissioner Olsen called the special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of the Agenda: Commissioner Stearns made a motion to approve the agenda as presented: Commissioner Oosterman seconded the motion; the motion passed with all in favor.

Information or Discussion of Operations/Policy Issues:

Discussion – COVID-19 Updates

ASM Clemens spoke about vaccinations for adolescents aged 12 through 15, and reopening dates per the Governor's COVID-19 plans. Commissioner Olsen asked about extensions to the Governor's proclamations regarding the Open Public Meetings Act (OPMA). ASM Clemens addressed the Commissioner's question.

FCSM Tartt provided a presentation on federal funding related to COVID-19. The Board discussed this matter further with staff.

Discussion – Telecommunications

ASM Clemens reported on her work with several school districts as part of the Telecommunications Project.

Discussion – Reformatted Strategic Plan Performance Report

AGM Parker went through the reformat/update of the Board's Strategic Plan Performance Report. The AGM provided the file to each Commissioner, and staff will work with this new format going forward.

Action/Approval Items:

Resolution 21-23, Interlocal Agreement with NoaNet

GM Weidenfeller briefly covered Resolution 21-23 which would authorize the District to enter into an interlocal agreement with the Northwest Open Access Network (NoaNet) for the Telecommunications Project. The Board discussed this resolution briefly. **Commissioner Stearns made a motion to adopt Resolution 21-23 as presented: Commissioner Oosterman seconded the motion; the motion passed with all in favor.**

Presentations:

There were no staff reports.

Commissioner Topics, Discussion and Reports:

Commissioner Oosterman reported on a computer issue. She also asked staff about an upcoming webinar regarding cyberthreats and cybersecurity.

Commissioner Stearns asked about an upcoming staff meeting. Staff will follow up to provide the request information.

Commission Olsen did not report.

Executive Session: At 5:30 p.m., Commissioner Olsen announced that the Board would enter into an Executive Session to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency, in accordance with RCW 42.30.110 (1)(i), for 20 minutes until 5:50 p.m. At 5:50 p.m., it was announced that the Executive Session would be extended for five minutes until 5:55 p.m. At 5:55 p.m., the Executive Session was closed, and the regular meeting resumed.

Adjournment: Commissioner Stearns made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Commissioner Oosterman seconded the motion; the motion passed with all in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 p.m.

Russell E Olsen

Russell E Olsen (Jun 8, 2021 18:14 PDT)

Russell E. Olsen, Commissioner and President

Attest:

Linda Oosterman

Linda Oosterman (Jun 14, 2021 16:19 PDT)

Linda Oosterman, Commissioner and Secretary

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