

**Minutes of Regular Commission Meeting of
Public Utility District No. 1 of Okanogan County**

**Okanogan PUD Auditorium
1331 2nd Avenue North, Okanogan, WA
November 27, 2007
12:30 PM**

Present: Board: David Womack, Ernest Bolz, Trish Butler
Staff: Doug Adams, Don Coppock, Derek Miller, Dan Boettger,
Nick Christoph, John MacDonald, Steve Brown, Julie Pyper
Attorney: Michael Howe
Public: Jeremy Pratt – Entrix, Inc.
Sheila Corson – The Chronicle
Wilford Schreckengast

Summary Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Business Meeting – 12:30 p.m.
 1. Approval of Agenda
 2. Consent Agenda Items
 - a) Minutes of 11-13-07
 - b) Vouchers
 - c) Work Orders
 - d) Transfers of Accounts
 3. Public Comment
 4. Unfinished Business
 - a) Hearing on Adoption of 2008 Annual Budget
 5. New Business
 - a) Entrix – Update on Enloe Dam
 - b) NoaNet – Appoint Member Representative
 6. Manager’s Report
 7. Power Report
 8. Other Business
 9. Future Planning
 10. Meetings
- III. Executive Session
- IV. Workshop/Budget Session
- V. Adjournment

I. Call to Order:

President Womack called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m.

II. Business Meeting:

1. Approval of Agenda:

The appointment of a NoaNet member representative was added to the agenda.

Commissioner Bolz moved, seconded by Commissioner Butler, to approve the Agenda as amended. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval of Consent Agenda Items:

a) Minutes:

The Minutes of the November 13, 2007 regular meeting were submitted for approval.

b) Vouchers:

The following Vouchers were submitted for approval:

Vouchers 145, 147 and 99565 through 99638 dated 11/20/07 in the amount of \$726,822.51; vouchers 116, 149 and 99639 through 99660 dated 11/21/2007 in the amount of \$244,834.58, and vouchers 151, 153, 155 and 99661 through 99726 dated 11/27/2007 in the amount of \$2,472,444.56.

c) Work Orders:

The following Work Orders were submitted for approval:

04-0515	Christian, Harold; Nine Mile Rd, Oroville	\$5,713.00
06-0594	Skinner, Gene; Teal Lake Rd, Twisp	\$2,544.00
07-0150	District; Riverside Cutoff Rd, Omak	\$2,209.00
07-0498	Thompson, Bob; Windmill Mtn Rd, Oroville	\$5,677.00
07-0597	Veranda Beach Partnership, Oroville	\$1,180.00
07-0714	Oro Building Supply, Oroville	\$5,800.00
07-0716	District/Twisp; Hwy 20, Twisp	\$4,004.00
07-0717	Conkle, Audrey; Riverside Cutoff Rd, Omak	\$2,280.00
07-0726	Beck, Arnold; River Loop Rd, Tonasket	\$7,723.00
07-0727	Leone & Kibble, Inc; Spruce St, Omak	\$3,136.00
07-0729	Stocker, Marvin; Rodeo Trail & Hwy 97, Okanogan	\$6,410.00
07-0732	Curry, Roger; Hwy 97 S, Brewster	\$2,290.00
07-0733	Kelly, Al; Hwy 97, Oroville	\$6,776.00
07-0735	Flagg, Karen; Mundy Rd, Brewster	\$1,619.00

07-0742	Okanogan/Douglas Fire Dept, Industrial Way, Pateros	\$7,266.00
07-0747	District; 4 th Ave & Okoma Dr, Omak	\$572.00
	Work Order Total:	<u>\$65,199.00</u>

Commissioner Butler moved, seconded by Commissioner Bolz, to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Public Comment:

Wilford Schreckengast thanked the PUD for relocating the power pole at the Legion Park in Okanogan.

4. Unfinished Business:

a) Hearing on Adoption of 2008 Annual Budget:

The hearing on the adoption of the 2008 annual budget was reopened. Receiving no public comment, the hearing was continued to the next meeting on December 11, 2007 at 12:30 p.m.

5. New Business:

a) Entrix – Update on Enloe Dam:

Jeremy Pratt of Entrix, Inc. provided an update on the licensing process of the Enloe Dam Hydroelectric Project.

The Draft License Application was released for a 90-day public review period on November 7, 2007, as required under the regulations of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Traditional Licensing Process. The District has scheduled public informational meetings during this period in Oroville on January 9, 2008 and in Okanogan on January 10, 2008. Following closure of the comment period on February 4, 2008, meetings will be held to resolve any environmental mitigation and or protection disagreements associated with the project.

The final stage of review is managed by the FERC following the filing of the Final License Application in May 2008. The FERC will issue a public notice and invite comments and requests for additional studies. Any deficiencies will be corrected to the FERC’s satisfaction, and a second public notice will be issued. If the FERC deems the Final License Application ready for environmental review at that time, it will initiate a NEPA process that includes public scoping. The projected timeframe for the FERC’s completion of the environmental process is 2010-2011.

Hard copies of the Draft License Application are available for review at various County locations, and CDs can be obtained directly from the PUD.

b) **NoaNet – Appoint Member Representative:**

The District's member representation was addressed with regard to the upcoming NoaNet elections. Since the District's designated Representative to NoaNet has left the employ of Okanogan PUD, it was affirmed that the Alternate Representative Commissioner Bolz will have all authorities of the designee in that person's absence.

Okanogan PUD's representation to NoaNet will be updated the first meeting in January 2008 when the Commission elects officers and appoints organization/committee representatives.

6. Manager's Report:

The six-hour power outage on November 21, 2007 in the Conconully area was caused by the failure of a bullet damaged insulator.

The State Auditor's office will conduct the District's audit exit conference on November 28, 2007.

7. Power Report:

A power report was not provided.

8. Other Business:

No other business items were presented.

9. Future Planning:

There were no future planning items presented.

10. Meetings:

Commissioner Butler reported on the Washington PUD Association Climate Change Workshop and related meetings she attended in Suquamish on November 14-16, 2007.

Commissioner Bolz reported on the proceedings of the NoaNet Commissioner Workshop and the WPUDA meetings he attended in Suquamish on November 15-16, 2007.

Commissioner Womack attended meetings of the Washington PUD Association in Suquamish on November 15-16, 2007. His report included an announcement that Trish Butler was elected

Co-Chair of the Commissioners Roundtable and that Snohomish PUD was withdrawing from the Association membership.

The Commissioners and General Manager plan to attend the Washington PUD Association annual meeting in Seattle on December 5–7, 2007.

The next Okanogan PUD Board of Commissioners meeting is scheduled on December 11, 2007 at 12:30 p.m. at the Okanogan PUD auditorium.

III. Executive Session:

The regular meeting was recessed at 1:30 p.m. and reconvened into executive session at 1:40 p.m. to discuss with legal counsel representing the District litigation or potential litigation to which the District, 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 District, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). It was expected the executive session would last 10 minutes with no action anticipated. At 1:50 p.m. the executive session was recessed with no public announcement.

IV. Workshop/Budget Planning:

The regular meeting reconvened at 1:50 p.m. for a budget planning workshop. The Director of Finance and supervisors reviewed the proposed departmental capital expenditures.

V. Adjournment:

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

David A. Womack, President

Ernest J. Bolz, Vice-President

ATTEST:

Trish Butler, Secretary