

# PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT NO. 1 OF JEFFERSON COUNTY

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# October 9,2017

## **Citizen Advisory Board Meeting**

# Final Minutes

A meeting of the Public Utility District No. I of Jefferson County (PUD) Citizen Advisory (CAB) was held at 310 Four Corners Road, Port Townsend, Washington, on October 9 2017. The meeting was convened by Chair Roger Risley at 2:30 p.m. Attending:

CABMembers:

Roger Risley L Dennison Peter Lauritzen Norman Norton Karen Bennett Tom Engel <u>PUDRepresentatives:</u>

Commissioner Kenneth Collins Don McDaniel, Consultant Will O'Donnell, Communications Manager Cammy Btown, Recorder

It was established there was a quorum.

#### **Review of Agenda**

- Changes to the Agenda: Noxious Weed Sub-Con.1mittee Report moved to next CAB meeting.
- Add Community Solar Report.

**MOTION:** Larry Dennison made a motion and it was seconded by Norm Norton that the Agenda be approved as revised. Motion unanimously carrie:d.

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### Final Minutes of August 14, 2017:

**MOTION:** Tom Engel made a motion and it was seconded by Karen Bennett that the minutes of the Jefferson County PUD Citizen's Advisory Board be approved. Motion carried unanimously.

**<u>Public Comments:</u>** Smart Meters - Documentation handout (Handout #1). There was considerable discussion and more documentation handed out (Handouts #2, #3, and #4).

**Solar Subcommittee:** Roger Risley gave a report. A new law has recently been passed and more research needs to be done about the law and what areas of concern it may create. The committee is not ready to make a recommendation to the PUD at this time.

**Broadband Delivery Strategies:** Karen Bennett gives a report. The committee has contacted Congressman Dereck Kilmer's office regarding a new bill he is proposing to bring broadband services to the rural arena. Where did the funding go? Who is regulating that? It seems like C.A.F. money is not being spent as originally planned.

A survey was done regarding the satisfaction level of broadband services that customers are getting. The subcommittee will be meeting to understand the results of the survey and how it can be used to drive action.

Chairman Roger Risley mentioned that a member of the Broadband Delivery Strategies and CAB has not been attending meetings. A member of the Broadband Delivery Strategies will contact this member to if he is still interested in participating.

It was mentioned that Marrowstone Island now has wireless services from Whidbey Island Telecom. It was repolied that while there is fiber optics available it is still not operational at this time.

<u>PUD Smart Meters Discussion</u>: Pete Lauritzen gave a report. It was suggested that everyone view the movie "Take Back your Power". There was testimony from the audience (Eggert Sebastian, D. McHolland, Tom Brotherton, Anna Wolpin, and Tom Theirsch). There were four handouts.

Peter Lauritzen and Don McDaniel were asked to do a formal report.

There was a suggestion that someone from ITRON be at the October 30<sup>th</sup> meeting of the PUD. This suggestion would be passed along to the PUD.

An announcement was made that the committee Smart Meter Objectors Group (SMOG) will be sponsoring a movie "Take Back Your Power" on October 25, 3017, at the Port Townsend Community Center.

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**2018 PUD Meeting List:** A list of the upcoming 2018 PUD meetings was handed out.

Reduced Rate Low Income: Larry Dennison gave a report. The committee is looking at several options. Updated report will be given at next meeting. Members of the committee are Larry Dennison, Pete Lauritzen and Doug Huber.

Absent CAB Member: Chair, Roger Risley, said he would call the member that has been absent a number of times for an update on his attendance at the meetings.

An announcement was made of the upcoming public hearing on Smart Meters on October 30, 2017 at the East Jefferson County Fire Station.

Don McDaniel listed the agenda items to be discussed at the next CAB Meeting:

- Noxious Weed
- Broadband
- Reduced Rate Low Income
- Credit Card Use Policy
- Community Solar Update
- Smart Meters Update

MOTION: Karen Bennett made a motion and it was seconded by Tom Engle to adjourn the meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

ADJOURNMENT: Chair Roger Risley adjourned the meeting at 4:52 pm.

Minutes prepared by: Cammy Brown, PUD Recorder

CAB meeting audio file available on website www.jeffpud.org

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Approved: Roger Risley, Chair

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