



CITY OF ELLENSBURG

Utility Advisory Committee

Date of Meeting

March 17, 2022

Time of Meeting

3:30 PM

Place of Meeting

Council Conference & remotely via Zoom

Nancy Goodloe, Chairperson, term expires May 31, 2024

Ed Barry, Vice Chairperson, term expires May 31, 2023

Nancy Lillquist, City Council, term expires May 31, 2022

Shane Scott, CWU, term expires May 31, 2025

Bryan Clark, KITTCOM, term expires May 31, 2023

Jim Goeben, Telecommunications Utility customer, term expires May 31, 2023

Nate Sitton, City Utility Customer, term expires May 31, 2023

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Goodloe called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

2. ROLL CALL

Members present: Nancy Goodloe, Chair; Ed Barry, Vice Chair; Nancy Lillquist, City Council; Nate Sitton, City Utility Customer; Shane Scott, CWU; Jim Goeben, Telecom; Bryan Clark, KITTCOM.

Also present: Ryan Lyyski, Public Works & Utilities Director; Darren Larsen, Assistant Utilities Director; Derek Mayo, Engineering Services Manager; Mike Helgeson, Assistant Public Works Director; Kim Bowie, Operations Analyst; Darin Yusi, Gas Engineer; Buddy Stanavich, Power & Gas Manager; Heidi Behrends Cerniwey, City Manager; Paul Meyer, Electrical Engineer; Jon Morrow, Stormwater Manager; Ben Faubion, IT; Nicole Klauss, Public Information Officer; Brad Case, Parks & Rec.

Others present remotely via Zoom and approximately two members of the public.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.A. Approve minutes - February 17th, 2022 regular meeting minutes

Committee member Barry moved to approve the minutes. **Motion approved. 5-0**

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

4.A. 2021-2023 Biennial Stormwater Capacity Grant

4.B. Bid Award - Cured-In-Place Sewer Line Rehabilitation Bid Call #2022-05

4.C. Bid Call 2021-14 Dolarway Substation Power Transformer

Committee member Barry moved to approve the consent agenda. **Motion approved. 5-0**

5. CORRESPONDENCE AND CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No Correspondence.

6. TELECOMMUNICATIONS UTILITY DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.A. Telecommunications Issues and Updates

Ben Faubion gave an update on telecommunications.

Committee member Lillquist requested a future agenda item to discuss requiring developers put fiber conduit in new developments.

Telecommunication members are allowed to vote on telecommunication items only per ECC 1.50.040.

7. ELECTRIC, NATURAL GAS, WATER, WASTEWATER, STORMWATER UTILITY DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.A. Public Forum to Establish Water Use Efficiency Goals

Committee member Lillquist moved the committee recommend the adoption of the new water use efficiency goals to be included in the update of the water system plan. **Motion approved. 5-0**

8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

8.A. Carbon Monoxide Detectors

Staff informed the committee carbon monoxide detectors do not qualify for energy conservation rebates.

8.B. Late Payments - Verbal Report

Staff shared current past due account data as of February 28, 2022.

8.C. Sustainable Energy Scope Planning Discussion

City Manager, Heidi Behrends Cerniwey, presented three scope options for future sustainable energy planning.

Meghan Anderson commented that the sustainable energy planning should retire the natural gas utility.

Judy Hendricks commented about potential funding included with the Climate Commitment Act to help mitigate impacts on low-income customers.

Committee member Lillquist moved the committee make a favorable recommendation that the City proceed with an RFP for a consultant to provide a sustainability plan with a focus on meeting state energy requirements. **Motion approved. 5-0**

8.D. Public Works & Utilities Issues and Updates

Staff shared key points on departmental issues and updates.

9. NEXT MEETING

9.A. April 21st, 2022 at 3:30 pm

10. ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, the meeting adjourned at 5:06 pm.

Kim Bowie
Recording Secretary
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Approved: 4/21/2022