



ESCAPE VELOCITY HOLDING INC DBA TRACE3	10,340.35
EUROFINS ENVIRONMENT TESTING	26.00
EXACT SCIENTIFIC SERVICES INC.	31.00
FASTENAL	66.80
FEDERAL EXPRESS	6.14
FERNDALE CITY OF	299.69
FLOOR GUY INC, THE	2,800.00
FOSTER GARVEY PC	22,599.00
HACH COMPANY	176.15
HD FOWLER CO, INC	225.01
HEALTH PROMOTIONS NORTHWEST	150.00
HOOPER, STEPHANIE	36.40
LEN HONCOOP GRAVEL, INC.	67,619.20
MYCOFF FRY PARTNERS LLC	25,000.00
NEL/SON DISTRIBUTING DBA NELSON-REISNER	1,490.50
NORTHWEST FIBER DBA ZIPLY FIBER	887.40
P&P EXCAVATING, LLC	1,871.36
PORTAL WAY FARM & GARDEN	34.87
PRINCIPAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	746.63
PROSCAPES	565.76
PUBLIC UTILITY RISK MANAGEMENT SERVICES	72,401.70
PUGET SOUND ENERGY, INC	9,281.58
REGENCE BLUE SHIELD	53,874.13
RICOH USA	61.38
RICOH USA FINANCIAL SVC	128.23
SALISH CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	134,097.60
SOUND DRILLING LLC	9,661.00
SOUTHERN STATES, LLC	6,775.00
SSC - SANITARY SERVICE COMPANY	693.38
STAR RENTALS	1,708.88
TEAMSTER LOCAL #231	744.00
TYLER TECHNOLOGIES-INCODE	2,860.69
ULINE, INC.	498.69
UNITED WAY OF WHATCOM COUNTY	425.00
UTILITIES UNDERGROUND LOCATION	8.10
VALVOLUME	113.67
WA PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION	25.00
WASHINGTON DENTAL SERVICE	3,218.70
WASHINGTON TEAMSTERS WELFARE	14,630.00
WHATCOM COUNTY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS	150.00
WHATCOM JANITORIAL	1,575.00
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 572,766.75</b>

4. **Public Comment** – None

5. **General Manager's Report** – Chris Heimgartner, General Manager sought input and approval on the writeup presented by Mycoff Fry Partners, LLC regarding the advertisement of the GM Position that would be appearing on Mycoff Fry Partners LLC's website. The commission and the general manager discussed the writeup and the commission gave their approval of the writeup to be posted.

The General Manager then sought approval from the commission regarding a press release to be posted on the PUD's website announcing Mr. Heimgartner's retirement and the opening of the general manager position for hiring. The commissioners and general manager discussed the wording in the press release. Commissioner Deshmane made a motion to remove the second paragraph of the proposed press release, that was written by the general manager, and replace it with,

“During Chris's 4 years with PUD No. 1 of Whatcom County he has thoughtfully led the organization towards new opportunities and in improving our existing infrastructure. He has hired new leadership, supported transitions and mentored, and helped us deliver a new Strategic Plan. Chris has done a stellar job, we celebrate his accomplishments, and he will be missed not only by our team but by our colleagues in the industry.”,

and have the general manager write a letter that will accompany the edited press release that will include the second paragraph of the original proposed press release as the commission believes those words should come from Mr. Heimgartner in his own letter. Commissioner Arnett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The General Manager briefed the commission on a potential meeting between stake holders at Grandview and the City of Ferndale to discuss water system solutions at Grandview. The General Manager sought and was given approval by the commission to facilitate the meetings.

6. **Operations Report** – Kurt Wank, Assistant General Manager commended the PUD's water operations crew for their hard work in handling the recent high water in the Nooksack River and the changes in the impacts that had on our water plants.
7. **Old Business**
  - a) **Broadband Update** – None.
  - b) **Adjudication Update** – None.
  - c) **Geothermal Update** – Andrew Entrikin, Director of Broadband and New Power Supply presented some potential dates to the commission for a meeting with the Nooksack Tribe to sign the MOU for the geothermal project. The Commission acknowledged that either the January 27<sup>th</sup> or the February 3<sup>rd</sup> 2026 would work for the joint meeting.
  - d) **Strategic Plan Update** – None.
  - e) **New Customer Update** – None
8. **New Business**
  - a) Resolution 1: Approve Resolution No. 889 Authorizing Cancellation of Warrant for Bluebeam Inc. After review of the proposed resolution Commissioner Arnett made a motion to approve the resolution. Commission Ury seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
9. **Executive Session**

Commissioner Ury made the following announcements: Executive session was convened at 9:30 AM to discuss the following subjects:

  - Potential Litigation – Adjudication:  
Executive session to discuss with legal counsel pending or potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i).

The executive session was expected to last 30 minutes and conclude at 10:00 AM. Commissioner Ury announced that the executive session had concluded at 10:02 AM at which point he resumed the regular meeting.

**10. New Business (Continued)**

b) Resolution 2: Approve Resolution No. 890 Updating the Position Description and Salary Range for the General Manager. After review of the proposed resolution Commissioner Deshmane made a motion to approve the resolution with one correction to remove the strikethrough marking on the salary range information on “Exhibit A”. Commissioner Arnett seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

**11. Commission Reports/Per Diem Requests:**

Commissioner Arnett: No non-pre-approved per diem requests, Commissioner Arnett noted that she would be attending the upcoming WPUDA meetings virtually.

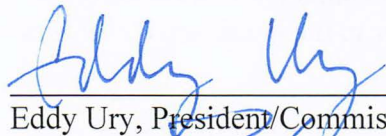
Commissioner Deshmane: No non-pre-approved per diem requests, Commissioner Deshmane reported that he will be attending the upcoming WPUDA meeting in person and he also reported on his attendance at recent PPC meetings.


Commissioner Ury: No non-pre-approved per diem requests. Commissioner Ury noted that he will be attending the upcoming WPUDA meetings in person and he informed the commission and staff that he had been informed of a potential opportunity to work with Puget Sound Energy on a solar generation and battery storage project with the help of Cascadia Renewables.

**12. Public Comment – None.**

**13. Adjourn**

There being no further business Commissioner Ury adjourned the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

  
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Eddy Ury, President/Commissioner

  
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Atul Deshmane, Vice President/Commissioner

  
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Jaime Arnett, Secretary/Commissioner

**Commission Clerk Note:**

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