

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS OF COAL CREEK UTILITY DISTRICT
OF KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Held on January 4, 2024

A special meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Coal Creek Utility District was held in-person and by remote means at the District Office, 6801 – 132nd Place SE, Newcastle, Washington, on January 4, 2024. Commissioner Doug Kunkel, Board President, attended by Zoom, and called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. Commission Suzi O’Byrne, Board Secretary, attended in person. District staff Robert Russell, General Manager, and Jamie Crookston, Finance Manager, and Rosemary Larson, legal counsel, attended in person.

The District provided the public with ability to attend the meeting by Zoom or conference call, and provided notice of the call-in and remote access information to the public and a speaker in the meeting room which allowed all persons attending to hear each other at the same time.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Commissioners discussed which Commissioner should serve as Board President and as Secretary for 2024. The Commissioners’ consensus was that for 2024, each current Board Member should retain their current office, with the Vice President position remaining vacant until a third Commissioner is appointed.

In accordance with the Board’s consensus, Commissioner O’Byrne moved that the following Board officers be elected to serve for 2024 until the first Board meeting in 2025:

Board President – Commissioner Kunkel

Board Secretary – Commissioner O’Byrne

Commissioner Kunkel seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA – ADDITIONS OR DELETIONS

Commissioner O’Byrne made a motion to approve the agenda. Commissioner Kunkel seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

Commissioner Kunkel noted that this item will be discussed in executive session.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) - To discuss strategy or position to be taken during collective bargaining negotiations

Commissioner Kunkel announced that there would be an executive session under RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) to discuss strategy or position to be taken during collective bargaining negotiations, which would be for fifteen minutes and conclude at 2:21 p.m. Commissioner Kunkel convened the executive session at 2:06 p.m., with the Commissioners, Mr. Russell, Ms. Crookston and Ms. Larson attending.

At 2:21 p.m., the executive session was concluded and the open public meeting reconvened.

Commissioner O’Byrne made a motion to approve the Union Collective Bargaining Agreement between the District and the Communications Workers of America, for the term of January 1, 2024 through December 31, 2026, and including the removal of the typographical error in Appendix A. Commissioner Kunkel seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business or persons to be heard, the meeting concluded at 2:25 p.m.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Douglas Kunkel

Douglas Kunkel, Commissioner

Suzi O'Byrne, Commissioner

Commissioner