

**EUGENE WATER & ELECTRIC BOARD**  
**REGULAR SESSION**  
**January 3, 2023**  
**5:45 P.M.**

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**Commissioners Present:** John Brown, President; Sonya Carlson, Vice President; John Barofsky, Matt McRae, Mindy Schlossberg, Commissioners

**Others Present:** Frank Lawson, General Manager; Kelly Hoell, Climate Policy Analyst & Advisor; Karen Kelly, Chief Operations Officer; Lisa Krentz, Generation Manager; Rod Price, Assistant General Manager

President Brown called the Regular Session to order at 5:30 p.m.

**Agenda Check**

There were no changes or additions to the agenda.

**Oath of Office for Commissioners Brown and Schlossberg [0:35]**

President Brown and Commissioner Schlossberg were sworn into the office of Eugene Water and Electric Board's Board of Commissioners.

**Items From Board Members and General Manager [2:14]**

**Public Input [6:52]**

**Adrienne Fainman**, CEO of Cedar Stone LLC, expressed interest in collaborating with EWEB on local sustainable building.

**Nadine Scott** of Leaburg wondered if the Leaburg Dam had ever been tested for asbestos.

**Dusty Wynn**, co-founder of Purelight Power, spoke about the price-gouging that happens with many regional companies selling solar power.

**William Smith** of Eugene urged EWEB to install and maintain a fiberoptic network in Eugene.

**Joshua Korn** of Eugene spoke in favor of EWEB installing and maintaining a local fiberoptic network.

**Grace Brahler**, Wildlands Director of Cascadia Wildlands, spoke in favor of decommissioning the Leaburg facility.

**Written Testimony (not included in meeting recording)**

**Jake Risley** of Leaburg wrote in opposition to decommissioning the Leaburg facility.

**Chris Daughters** of Eugene wrote in favor of decommissioning the Leaburg facility.

**Approval of Consent Calendar – A, Minutes and Routine Contracts [25:40]**

**MINUTES**

1. a. **October 25, 2022 Work Session**
- b. **November 1, 2022 Executive Session**
- c. **November 1, 2022 Regular Session**
- d. **November 15, 2022 Work Session**
- e. **December 6, 2022 Executive Session**
- f. **December 6, 2022 Regular Session**

**CONTRACTS**

**2. Anixter** – for Transformer and Secondary Connectors for use in EWEB’s electrical distribution system. \$320,000 (over 5 years) based on a Formal Invitation to Bid.

**3. Virginia Transformer Corp.** – for Station Class Power Transformers. \$17 million (over 5 years) based on a Formal Request for Proposals.

***Commissioner Schlossberg moved to approve Consent Calendar – A. The motion passed unanimously 5:0.***

**Approval of Consent Calendar – B, Non-routine Contracts and Other Consent Items**

**CONTRACTS**

**4. Cascade Pacific Resource Conservation and Development (CPRCD)** – for additional funds for Fiscal Management Services of the Pure Waters Partners Program (PWP). \$1,490,000 (Resulting Cumulative Total \$3,052,000) based on Direct Negotiation/Sole Source.

**5. J&M Homes, LLC** – for Carmen-Smith Campus Homes. \$292,000 based on Formal Request for Proposals.

**6. Luvaas Cobb** – for General Counsel Services. \$650,000 (over 5 years) based on a Formal Request for Proposals.

**7. Olsson Electric, Inc.** – for Installation of Replacement Switchgear and Other Related Tasks at EWEB’s generation facility at the International Paper Plant in Springfield, OR. \$475,000 based on Formal Invitation to Bid.

**8. Schnabel Engineering, LLC** – for additional funds for Safety Inspection Services for the Leaburg-Waltermville project. \$65,000 (Resulting Cumulative Total \$265,000) based on a Formal Request for Proposals.

#### **INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS**

**9. U.S. Department of Interior, U.S. Geological Survey (USGS)** – for a Joint Funding Agreement (JFA) to provide Monitoring and Consulting Services for Source Water Protection. \$1,620,000 based on Direct Negotiated Intergovernmental Agreement.

#### **RESOLUTIONS**

**10. Resolution No. 2301** – Annual Appointment of Supplemental Retirement Plan Committee.

**11. Resolution No. 2303** – Update to Board Policy SD15 – Climate Change.

**12. Resolution No. 2304** – Update to Board Policy GP 7 – Board Parliamentary Procedures.

***Vice President Carlson moved to approve Consent Calendar – B. The motion passed unanimously 5:0.***

#### **2023 Election of Officers [26:17]**

***President Brown moved to nominate Sonya Carlson as Board President, and John Barofsky as Board Vice President. The motion passed unanimously 5:0.***

#### **2023 Appointment of Board Liaison Assignments [28:20]**

The slate of liaison assignments the Board put forth was as follows:

McKenzie Watershed Council - Commissioner Barofsky

McKenzie Watershed Alliance Executive Board - Designated EWEB staff primary appointee, with no designated Commissioner as alternate

Lane Council of Governments (LCOG) - Commissioner Carlson primary appointee, with Commissioner Barofsky as the alternate

Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Board - Commissioner Brown

Springfield Utility Board (SUB) - Commissioner McRae

Lane Electric Cooperative - Commissioner Brown

City of Springfield - Commissioner Schlossberg primary appointee, with Commissioner Brown as the alternate

City of Eugene - Commissioners Carlson and Barofsky

***Commissioner Brown moved to adopt the discussed slate of liaison assignments. The motion passed unanimously 5:0.***

#### **Goal #3(a): Leaburg Hydro Electric Project – Proposed Record of Decision, Resolution No. 2302 [36:14]**

Mr. Lawson, Ms. Kelley, and Ms. Krentz offered the Board a report and PowerPoint presentation on Goal #3(a): Leaburg Hydro Electric Project – Proposed Record of Decision, Resolution No. 2302.

***Vice President Barofsky moved to approve Resolution No. 2302, moving forward with the Record of Decision on the Leaburg Hydroelectric Project, and directing the General Manager to develop a Leaburg Hydroelectric Decommissioning Action Plan. The motion passed unanimously 5:0.***

**Proposed 2023 Strategic Goals/Organizational Performance Measures [1:06:00]**

Mr. Price and Mr. Lawson offered the Board a report and PowerPoint presentation on the proposed 2023 Strategic Goals/Organizational Performance Measures.

***Commissioner Schlossberg moved to approve the 2023 goals. The motion passed unanimously 5:0.***

**Break [1:21:00]**

President Carlson called for a break at 6:50 p.m. The meeting resumed at 7:00 p.m.

**Climate Guidebook Introduction [1:29:53]**

Ms. Hoell offered the Board an introduction to the Climate Guidebook, with an accompanying PowerPoint presentation.

**Correspondence & Board Agendas [2:08:22]**

Mr. Lawson offered the Board a brief report on Correspondence and Board Agendas.

**Board Wrap Up [2:14:40]**

President Carlson adjourned the Regular Session at 8:02 p.m.

*Recorded by Rodney Cimburke*

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