

**PAGE UTILITY ENTERPRISES
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
November 12, 2024**

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Page Utility Board was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Chairman Tony Ferrando. The meeting was held in the Utility Conference Room, 640 Haul Road, Page, Arizona.

ROLL CALL:

Board members present: Chairman Ferrando, Jeff Jones (Virtual), Alan Nelson, Tom Geiger, Chuck Straub, and Ex-Officio Board Member / Vice Mayor John Kocjan.

Staff present: General Manager, Bryan Hill; Finance Director, Catherine Foley; and Executive Secretary, Donna Roberts.

Also present: City Attorney Joshua Smith and City Councilor Steven Kidman.

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

The Board observed a moment of silence.

MINUTES:

The minutes of the October 2, 2024, Joint Board/Council special meeting were unanimously approved upon a motion by Jones and second by Geiger.

The minutes of the October 8, 2024 regular meeting was unanimously approved upon a motion by Straub and second by Geiger.

**HEAR FROM THE
CITIZENS:**

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion/Possible Action – Native American Power Pooling & Scheduling Agreements – UTE Contract Agreement 23-SLC-1221 & Hualapai Contract Agreement 23-SLC-1196: The existing Benefit Crediting Agreement between the UTE Tribe (UTE), Page Electric Utility, and Western Area Power Administration (WAPA), provides Page with UTE's Firm Electric Service allocation from the Colorado River Storage Project (CRSP). This agreement expired September 30, 2024, and UTE representatives have expressed their willingness to renew this arrangement with Page. Since 2006, this existing agreement provides Page Electric with approximately .5MW Summer and Winter capacity Contract Rate of Delivery (CROD) along with corresponding Sustainable Hydro Power (SHP) energy. Page then compensates the UTE Tribe at a rate equal to the difference of \$42/MWH and the cost of CRSP energy from WAPA.

Additionally, Page has been offered an added Benefit Credit Agreement from the Hualapai Tribe. Hualapai representatives have expressed their willingness to work with this arrangement with Page.

This new agreement provides Page Electric with approximately .5MW Summer and Winter capacity CROD along with corresponding SHP energy. Page then compensates the Hualapai Tribe at a rate equal to the difference of \$35-50/MWH (same as the UTE agreement) and the cost of CRSP energy from WAPA. This rate will vary from year to year

calculated by 90% of the annual average cost of Western Replacement Power (WRP). This agreement will function to extend this existing arrangement through September 2057 and has a unilateral off-ramp for either Page (1 year) or the Tribes (6 months).

After discussion, Geiger made a motion, seconded by Jones, to forward to Council the Board's recommendation to enter into Benefit-Credit Agreements between WAPA and the UTE Indian Tribe No. 23-SLC-1221 and the Hualapai Indian Tribe No. 23-SLC-1196 respectively, and authorize the PUE Board to approve/reject any future modification to Exhibit A of the agreements.

The motion unanimously passed.

REPORTS:

General Manager's Reports – October 2024: Bryan briefly reviewed the General Manager's reports and answered questions.

- Power Costs
- Update on Utilities Maintenance, Outages & Projects
- Line Crew Activities - Outages
- Water Utility Statistics, Projects & Activities
- Engineering Activities
- Waste Water Plant Updates & Activities
- Generator Operations Report

Financial Reports – September 2024: Catherine updated the Board on the financial reports.

- Status of Utilities
- Accounts, Budget
- Financial Information

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The next meeting will be January 14, 2025.

ADJOURN:

With no further business, Chairman Ferrando adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

APPROVED:



Chairman, Page Utility Enterprises Board