

QLife Network

QualityLife Intergovernmental Agency

MINUTES

QLife Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, April 25, 2013
Following Budget Committee Meeting
The Dalles City Hall, 313 Court Street
2nd Floor Conference Room

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by President Scott Hege at 12:36 p.m.

Roll Call

In attendance: Scott Hege, Erick Larson, Carolyn Wood, Bill Dick
Absent: Brian Ahier
Staff in attendance: Nolan Young, Izetta Grossman, Garrett Chrostek

Visitor: Ken Farner

Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Dick and seconded by Wood to approve the agenda as submitted. The motion carried unanimously; 1 absent.

Approval of February 28, 2013 QLife Regular Board Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Larson and seconded by Wood to approve the minutes of the February 28, 2013 meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously, 1 absent.

Financial Reports

Young reviewed the February and March Financial Reports; reporting that a long haul transporter signed a 5 year renewal this week.

Action Items

Young reviewed the resolutions. It was moved by Wood and seconded by Larson to Adoption of Resolution 13-001 Authorizing Transfers of Budget Funds Between Categories of the QualityLife Intergovernmental Agency Capital Fund 601 Budget for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2013. The motion passed unanimously, 1 absent.

It was moved by Wood and seconded by Dick to Adoption of Resolution 13-002 Adopting a Supplemental Budget for the QualityLife Intergovernmental Agency Operating Fund (600) and Capital Fund (601) Budgets for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2013, Making Appropriations and Authorizing Expenditures. The motion passed unanimously, 1 absent.

Reports

Young reported that the Strategic Plan would come back to the board next month.

Young reported that the Wi Fi Project had run into an issue with easements and was not as far along as predicted. Kramer Field and Sorosis are not complete; Riverfront Park is close to completion.

Wood asked when it was anticipated that QLife would be in a position to send revenue to the City and County. Young explained that with the City and County reallocating the Enterprise Zone funds QLife would still be able to retire debt in FY 14-15. Potentially QLife would be able to return revenue to City and County in FY 15-16, if current revenue growth remained as projected.

Young reported that the Port of The Dalles would like to have a GIG transport ready for their industrial park. QLife may be asked to put a fiber loop in that area – the minimum would be conduit to prepare the site. In response to a question, Young reported that the Downtown Metro loop would be considered in FY 14-15 if funds were available along with a new generator for QLife.

Ken Farner said he was delighted that QLife would be able to give revenue to the City and County, even though that was not the purpose of the Agency to begin with; economic development had always been the focus. He wondered if there was a rate structure that would allow more customers, at a lower rate to grow volume and revenue. Young stated that the rate structure had been updated and that it would allow ISP's to buy larger service that they could then sell at better rates.

Dick asked if downtown could be a GIG Park to attract larger financial companies – he wondered if there was potential there. Young reported that he and Mobley had a conversation with the LSN director regarding the subject and it is generally felt in the industry that GIG City was a good marketing term – however, in reality there weren't that many users needing that kind of service.

Young said that if QLife adopts the Strategic Plan we might develop a plan to grow the system using that plan. It was anticipated that in 2 years we would have the funds to grow the system.

Next Meeting Dates:

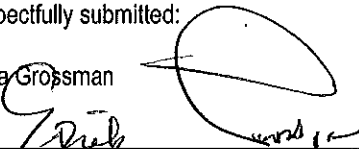
Regular Board Meeting May 23, 2013 Noon

Adjourn

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

Izetta Grossman



Attest: Erick Larson, Secretary