

Marquette Board of Light and Power 05-26-2020 MINUTES

2200 Wright St., Marquette, MI 49855 (906) 228-0311

A regular meeting of the Board of Light and Power was called and held on May 26th, 2020 beginning at 4:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order followed by Roll Call.

Due to special circumstances and adhering to Governor Executive Directive No. 2020-2 (Public Meetings of State of Michigan Public Bodies during the COVID-19 Emergency) Board Meeting was held via conference call.

Present: John Prince, Chair
Robert Niemi, Vice Chair/Secretary
Jerry Irby
Ed Angeli
Tom Tourville
Absent: (None)

T. Tourville made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, J. Irby seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

1. **Approval of the April 28th, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes:**

J. Irby made a motion to accept the April 28th, 2020 regular Meeting Minutes as presented. R. Niemi seconded the motion and Board unanimously approved.

2. **Approval of Bills Payable:**

E. Angeli made a motion to approve the Bills Payable, as presented, totaling \$359,309.00. E. Angeli seconded the motion and after discussion, the Board unanimously approved the Bills Payables as presented.

3. **Public Comments:**

No public comment was made.

4. **Recommendation to Approve Oil-filled Circuit Breaker Disposal Change-order to Energis High Voltage Resources**

J. Irby made a motion to Approve Oil-filled Circuit Breaker Disposal Change-order to Energis High Voltage Resources in the amount of \$16,965.92. T. Tourville seconded the motion and after discussion, the Board unanimously approved.

5. **Recommendation to award Mussel Survey & Relocation Services to ASTI Environmental**

J. Irby made a motion to award Mussel Survey & Relocation Service to ASTI Environmental in the amount not-to-exceed \$36,000. E. Angeli seconded the motion and after discussion, the Board unanimously approved.

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6. **Recommendation to Award 69kV North Tie-Line Emergency Structure Repairs to Hydaker-Wheatlake Company.**

E. Angeli made a motion to award 69kV North Tie-Line Emergency Structure Repairs to Hydaker-Wheatlake Company in the amount of \$49,818.00. T. Tourville seconded the motion and after discussion, the Board unanimously approved.

7. **Recommendation to Award Purchase of Four (4) Polyphase Transformers to Power Line Supply**

T. Tourville made a motion to award purchase of four (4) Polyphase Transformers to Power Line Supply in the amount of \$ 44,261.00. E. Angeli seconded the motion and after discussion, the Board unanimously approved.

8. **Recommendation to Award Software Assessment & Upgrade Contract to Lucidcoast**

R. Niemi made a motion to award software assessment & upgrade contract to Lucidcoast in the amount of \$38,005.00. E. Angeli seconded the motion. After discussion R. Niemi amended the motion to reflect a not-to-exceed amount of \$38,005.00, E. Angeli seconded the motion; the Board unanimously approved the amended motion.

9. **Capital Projects**

a. Second Interconnection – Actively working on securing an engineer for the project and working on putting together an RFP, should have something to the Board soon.

b. Wright St Expansion – Expecting quotes back from contractors tomorrow. E. Angeli inquired about a special meeting needed to move the project along.

c. Shiras CCR – In progress, Golder was onsite putting information together for the bid specification. Clearing of the ash settling ponds is moving forward.

d. Shiras Demolition – Update was included in the previous item

e. Other -_None

10. **Financial Discussion – Mark Link:**

Chief Financial Officer – Mark Link presented the Interim Operating Statement for the month ending April 30th, 2020, Projected Cash Flow Statement, KWH Comparative vs. Prior Year and Five-Year History, Trending Actual Revenue versus Budget. Discussion followed.

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11. **Public Comments:**

No public comment was made at this time.

12. **Any Additional Business the Executive Director Wishes to Present:**

T. Carpenter mentioned he listened in on the UP Energy Task Force recommended by J. Hill of the Marquette City Commission. T. Carpenter also spoke in regards to the Midland Dam failures; he reiterated that all MBLP dams are current with FERC Safety inspections.

13. **Any Additional Business the Board Members Wish to Present:**

E. Angeli – Thanked the MBLP for the technology and inquired about some of the connection issues he was experiencing.

R. Niemi – None

J. Irby – None

T. Tourville – None

J. Prince – Inquired about operational changes on the horizon relating to COVID. T. Carpenter responded stating that we do not have any immediate changes coming, but that we are fully functioning whether working remotely or in the offices and that it has been a good learning experience for us all.

10. **Adjournment:**

The meeting adjourned at 6:06 p.m.



Robert Niemi,
Vice Chair/Secretary