

## MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Board of Light and Power was called and held on July 28, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. in the Board Meeting Room at 2200 Wright St., Marquette, MI 49855.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance the meeting was called to order.

**Present:** Richard J. Goodney, Chair  
Carolyn M. Piirala, Secretary/Vice Chair  
Kenneth C. Wanberg  
Edward M. Angeli  
John L. Sonderegger

**Absent:** None

It was moved by E. Angeli, seconded by K. Wanberg and unanimously carried to approve the July 14, 2009 regular meeting minutes as presented.

Following a discussion it was moved by C. Piirala, seconded by J. Sonderegger and unanimously carried to approve the Accounts Payable totaling \$536,496.97.

1. **Additions or Corrections to the Agenda.**

Superintendent of Production John Reynolds said he was at the meeting at the request of Executive Director Kirby Juntala who is out of town. It was moved by K. Wanberg, seconded by J. Sonderegger and unanimously carried to add Agenda Item 6-B – Recommendation to Award Repair of Unit No. 3's Ash Sluice Line. Supervisor of Utility Compliance Erik Booth will give a brief presentation on the status of the Tourist Park Dam Reconstruction.

2. **Citizen Comment.**

No comments were received from citizens.

3. **Retirement Presentation – Drafts Person Judith A. Vonck.**

Board Chair R. Goodney presented a retirement plaque to Judith A. Vonck for her 12 years of service to the utility and community. Ms. Vonck retired July 1, 2009 and served her entire career as the utility's Drafts Person. C. Piirala commended J. Vonck for doing the design layout and selecting articles for inclusion in the utility's monthly Health/Wellness Newsletter.

4. **Recommendations for Payment of:**

- A. Board of Consultants Meeting.
- B. Board of Consultants Meeting.
- C. No. 3 Dam Design/Meeting Participation.
- D. Substation Maintenance.

On a motion by E. Angeli, seconded by K. Wanberg and unanimously carried, the Board

authorized payment totaling \$4,202.64 to Ellen Faulkner of Ayres Associates, Inc. for her participation on the Board of Consultants (BOC) during a recent required meeting with the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC), staff, and the BOC regarding the 50 percent reconstruction design of the Tourist Park Dam.

It was moved by J. Sonderegger, seconded by K. Wanberg and unanimously carried to authorize payment totaling \$7,569.37 to Mr. John Cassidy, a consulting hydrologic and hydraulic engineer, for his participation in the recent required BOC meeting with the FERC, staff, and Board consultants regarding the 50 percent reconstruction design for the Tourist Park Dam.

On a motion by K. Wanberg, seconded by C. Piirala and unanimously carried, the Board authorized payment to consultant AECOM USA Inc. totaling \$51,859 for its service prior, during, and following the required BOC meeting regarding the Tourist Park Dam reconstruction. The additional work included preparing design, presentation materials and references, conceptual design drawings, attendance by the design engineering team, hydraulic modeling, and prior/post meetings with staff. C. Piirala questioned the time/material billing? J. Reynolds responded the additional charges were outside the realm of their work proposal. K. Wanberg commented positively on the detailed billing information provided.

It was moved by K. Wanberg, seconded by C. Piirala and unanimously carried to authorize payment totaling \$6,817 to Energis High Voltage Resources, Inc. for its required five (5) year substation maintenance including electrical testing mechanical checks, adjustments, oil sampling, and a written final report.

5. **Recommendation to Award Geothermal Heat Pump Replacement.**

On a motion by E. Angeli, seconded by K. Wanberg and unanimously carried, the Board awarded the geothermal heat pump replacement to Dressler Mechanical, Inc. totaling \$50,960 per their low quote meeting specifications.

6. **Recommendation to Authorize Required Aerial Device Inspection/Repair.**

It was moved by E. Angeli, seconded by K. Wanberg and unanimously carried to authorize the five (5) year inspection and maintenance of the aerial device on Vehicle No. 338 to Dueco, Inc. per their quote of \$5,674.05. Dueco is the original manufacturer of the aerial device. E. Angeli questioned if transportation costs were included in the quote? Superintendent of Distribution David Lynch responded the delivery of the vehicle for repairs is being coordinated with the pickup of another vehicle that had been repaired and resulted in an \$800 cost savings. K. Wanberg questioned if additional repairs will be required? D. Lynch responded if any significant items requiring repair are detected it will be brought before the Board for approval.

6-B. **Recommendation to Award Repair of Unit No. 3 Ash Sluice Line.**

On a motion by J. Sonderegger, seconded by K. Wanberg and unanimously carried, the Board

awarded the repair of the Unit No. 3 Ash Sluice Line to Jamar Company per their low quote meeting specifications totaling \$6,949.

7. **Any Additional Business the Executive Director Wishes to Present.**

J. Reynolds presented no additional business.

8. **Time for Citizen Comments.**

No comments were received from citizens.

9. **Any Additional Business the Board Members Wish to Present.**

C. Piirala congratulated J. Vonck on her retirement.

10. **Adjournment:**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

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Carolyn M. Piirala,  
Vice Chair/Secretary

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