## WEST BOYLSTON MUNICIPAL LIGHTING PLANT

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## **Board of Light Commission, Regular Session Meeting Minutes, February 2, 2016**

**Present:** Board members, Win Handy (approx. 5:30pm), Anthony Meola, William Smith, GM Jonathan Fitch, and MMWEC Staff (Matt and Steve) were present.

## The meeting was called to order at 5:05pm by Commissioner Smith.

Agenda: The Board approved the agenda.

**Meeting Minutes:** The Board reviewed and approved the meeting minutes of January 12, 2016.

**Power and Transmission Costs:** GM Fitch introduced the MMWEC staff that was present to review WBMLP's power supply and a new capacity hedging contract.

The Board, MMWEC staff, and GM discussed the attached presentation dated February 2, 2016. MMWEC proposed that WBMLP consider a capacity hedge for 1.5MW's. MMWEC also presented the board a draft certificate authorizing the GM to continue purchasing energy and specifically add capacity hedges, for periods up to 10 years in duration. The Board voted and approved the attached certificate of vote, 3-0, authorizing GM purchases up to 5 MW, and up to 10 years.

GM Fitch presented and reviewed with the Board, the attached FY2016 power and transmission budget. WBMLP will spend approximately \$5,877,677 on power and transmission in FY2016. This annual power and transmission budget will be reflected in the monthly PPA calculations.

The Board discussed WBMLP's participation in the Seabrook and Millstone nuclear projects and the natural gas pipeline development in Massachusetts.

Financial Statements: Did not discuss

**Solar Coop:** GM Fitch told the Board that Kim Grant of MMWEC replaced Kim Boas on Solar Coop Board.

**OPEB:** Did not discuss

**Emerald Ash Borer:** WBMLP told the Board WBMLP will create a risk management map of our electrical distribution system. The Town is seeking to develop a tree inventory this year.

MA Green Communities Designation: Did not discuss.

Sidewalk Reconstruction Project: Did not discuss.

**Solar Project:** GM provided project update to Board. WBMLP is preparing civil design plans to submit to Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and MassDEP.

**911/Dispatch Fiber:** GM provided the board a project update. WBMLP is still waiting on hardware materials to install on approximately 230 utility poles from WBMLP to Holden.

**Trucks:** Did not discuss

Other: None

The next meeting is March 1, 2016. The Board meeting adjourned at 7:45pm.

Anthony Meola Jr,

Winthrop Handy

William Smith