

WEST BOYLSTON MUNICIPAL LIGHTING PLANT

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Board of Light Commission, Regular Session Meeting Minutes, April 5, 2022

Present: Commissioner's Jim Pedone, Tony Meola, and Win Handy were present. GM Fitch was present.

The Board meeting started at 5:05pm

Agenda: The Board approved the agenda without any changes or corrections.

Meeting Minutes: The Board reviewed and approved the attached meeting minutes from November 3, 2021, and December 7, 2021.

Customer Issues: GM Fitch informed the Board that WBMLP is scheduling various public presentations to review WBMLP's energy supply, GHG emission reduction goals, and electrification of HVAC and vehicles. WBMLP will target the EJ communities and natural gas customers first, then oil, propane, and electric radiant customers.

West Boylston Senior Center: May 25, 2022, 11:30am, lunch and presentation

Hillside Village Clubhouse: April 21, 2022, 1:00pm – 2:30pm, presentation

Angell Brook: TBD

Briarwood Independent Living: May 4, 2022, 2:00pm, Birch's Auditorium

Finances: GM Fitch let the Board know the FY2021 financial audit is complete (See attached draft). Jim Goulet will present and review the annual audit at the next Board meeting. GM Fitch requested the Board to consider at the next meeting to writing-off the PPA under collection of \$443,489.31. This write-off allows WBMLP to essentially reduce the electric bills to our customers and trues up our PPA calculations.

Mass Save Rebates: The Board and GM discussed how West Boylston's natural gas customers of Eversource are now eligible for a Mass Save rebate and 0% interest loans to covert to all electric air source heat pumps. WBMLP is working on flyers and advertising to get the word out to our customers.

Bucket Truck: GM Fitch let the Board know the bucket truck is on order with a lead-time of early 2024.

Fast DC EV Charger: The GM and Board discussed relocating the Fast DC EV charger to Goodale Park where it is more accessible and visible to the public. WBMLP will ask the Parks & Recreation Commissioner for permission to use 2-3 parking spots for the Fast DC Charger.

Load Reducing Gen-Set Rental: GM Fitch let the Board know WBMLP is renting a load reducing generator again this year. Although there are not as much savings as last year, WBMLP should still save approximately \$33k in transmission expenses.

MEAM Annual Meeting: The MEAM annual meeting is May 19th and 20th in Plymouth MA.

MMWEC Annual Conference: The MMWEC annual conference is May 4 & 5, 2022 at Devens.

29 Prospect Street Property: GM Fitch informed the Board that WBMLP received ZBA and Planning approval. Demolition will start April 5th. The construction bids documents are being prepared to issue a formal RFP to get project cost estimates.

Battery Energy Storage System (BESS): WBMLP is still considering a 3-4.9MW BESS at the solar site located at 225 Shrewsbury St.

Special Project 2021A, Offshore Wind PPA:

Executive Session: The Board designated the attached 2021A documents “trade secrets” pursuant to M.G.L. c. 164, Section 47D. Disclosure would affect WBMLP’s ability to conduct its business in relation to other suppliers, makers, and distributors of energy. Roll-call vote was used to go into executive session. Win Handy, Yes, Jim Pedone, Yes, and Tony Meola, Yes.

After discussing the offshore wind PPA, the Board returned to Open Session

Special Project 2021A: The Board discussed joining Special Project 2021A and to eventually review and consider a PPA for offshore wind energy and attributes. The Board reviewed the attached “Certificate of Vote”. Commissioner Handy made a motion to join MMWEC’s Special Project 2021A through the attached “Certificate of Vote”. Commissioner Meola seconded the motion. The Board voted 3-0 in favor of joining Special Project 2021A and signed the attached “Certificate of Vote”.

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The meeting adjourned at 6:25pm.

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Tony Meola

Jim Pedone