

Marquette Board of Light and Power 07-26-2022 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 July 26th, 2022, beginning at 4:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

Present: John Prince, Chair
Robert Niemi, Vice Chair/Secretary
Paul Schloegel
John Sonderegger (Arrived late)
Ed Angeli

Absent: None

Ed made a motion to excuse J. Sonderegger from the meeting, R. Niemi seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

E. Angeli made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, R. Niemi seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

1. **Approval of the June 28th, 2022, Regular Meeting Minutes & July 12th, 2022, Special Meeting Minutes**

R. Niemi made a motion to accept the June 28th, 2022 Regular Meeting Minutes and July 12th, 2022 Special Meeting Minutes as presented. P Schloegel seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

2. **Approval of Bills Payable:**

E. Angeli made a motion to approve the Bills Payable, as presented, totaling \$ 1,833,121.93. R. Niemi seconded the motion and after discussion, the Board unanimously approved the Bills Payables as presented.

3. **Public Comments:**

Samantha Spagnolo – 1705 Elm Avenue
Presented the Board with a request to repurpose the former Shiras Steam Plant site into an indoor/outdoor dog park. Samantha is the owner of Superior Bark, a dog walking and pet sitting service in Marquette. Samantha presented the Board with some informational material as to the benefits of such a park.

4a. **Retiree Presentation – Mary Adamini**

Executive Director, T. Carpenter highlighted Mary’s history with the Marquette Board of Light & Power and the additional organizations Mary has served with. Tom also spoke to everything Mary has done for the MBLP in her tenure here. Board Chair J. Prince highlighted the impact that she has had on the MBLP over her 32 year career. T. Carpenter & J. Prince presented Mary with a service plaque for her years of service.

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5a. **Recommendation to Approve Substation Maintenance Services**

R. Niemi made a motion to approve substation maintenance services from Premier Power Maintenance in the amount of \$ 33,373.39, E. Angeli seconded the motion and after discussion, the Board unanimously approved.

6. **Capital Projects**

a. **Second Interconnection** – The LiDAR flyover happened shortly after the special Board meeting that was held on July 12th, it took approximately an hour and a half to fly the route and they are currently in post-production processing. We should expect to see approval drawings for the transformer later this week.

b. **Shiras Demolition** – Hydroseeding will be taking place in a few days. E. Angeli inquired about seeing a final tally on the demolition costs.

c. **Other** – N/A

6. **Financial Discussion – Manager of Accounting, Tobias Smith:**

Manager of Accounting, Tobias Smith presented the Interim Operating Statement for the month ending June 30th, 2022, Projected Cash Flow Statement, KWH Comparative vs. Prior Year and Five-Year History, Trending Actual Revenue versus Budget, and Summary of Investments.

7. **Public Comments:**

Margaret Brumm 404 East Magnetic St

Margaret updated the Board on status of the mobile cigarette butt recycling station that was placed at the MBLP on May 19th. She stated that for the last few weeks she has checked the station and that each time she has, both buckets have been nearly full, and she wanted to thank the board again for listening and helping make this a reality.

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

Nothing additional

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

P Schloegel – Echoed Samantha’s comments regarding the usage of the Shiras Site, stated that he has heard from others regarding an interest in that type of usage of the site. Paul also stated that he was glad to hear the mobile cigarette butt recycling station is being used.

R. Niemi – Nothing additional

E. Angeli – Nothing additional

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J. Sonderegger – Apologized to the Board for his slight tardiness to the meeting today.

J. Prince – Thanked M. Zavislak for the effort on Mary’s retirement plaque and shared a few more words about Mary’s career here at the MBLP and that she will be missed.

10. **Adjournment:**
The meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.



Robert Niemi,
Vice Chair/Secretary