

**TRAVERSE CITY  
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD**

Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Held at 5:15 p.m., Commission Chambers, Governmental Center  
Tuesday, September 11, 2012

**Board Members -**

Present: Barbara Budros, Jim Carruthers, Mike Coco, John Snodgrass, John Taylor,  
Patrick McGuire

Absent: Bob Spence

**Ex Officio Member -**

Present: R. Ben Bifoss

**Others:** Ed Rice, Stephanie Tvardek, Karen Fehr

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Chairman McGuire.

**Item 2 on the Agenda being Consent Calendar**

None.

**Items removed from the Consent Calendar**

None.

**Item 3 on the Agenda being Old Business**

**3(a).** Consideration of TCL&P Management & Operations Audit – Audit Firm recommendation.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Doug Luciani, President of Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce & TBEDC  
Ed Rice, Executive Director  
R. Ben Bifoss, City Manager

Moved by Coco, seconded by Carruthers, that the Light & Power Board Chairman be authorized to enter into a Professional Services Agreement with Hometown Connections International, LLC for a Management & Operations Audit of Traverse City Light & Power in the not to exceed bid amount of \$92,500; subject to City Commission approval, and approval as to form by the City Attorney.

CARRIED unanimously. (Spence absent)

**Item 4 on the Agenda being New Business**

**4(a).** Consideration of approving minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 24, Special Meeting of July 27, and the Joint Meeting with Cherryland of August 15, 2012.

Moved by Carruthers, seconded by Budros, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 24, Special Meeting of July 27, and the Joint Meeting with Cherryland of August 15, 2012, be approved.

CARRIED unanimously. (Spence absent)

**4(b).** Consideration of 2013 Lansing Contract Power Purchase.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Ed Rice, Executive Director  
Karen Feahr, Energy Supply Manager

R. Ben Bifoss departed the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Moved by Coco, seconded by Taylor, that in the best interest of Light & Power ratepayers, the Board approve the reservation of 10 MW of base energy and 7 MW of peaking energy from Lansing Board of Water & Light for 2013.

CARRIED unanimously. (Spence absent)

**Item 5 on the Agenda being Appointments**

None.

**Item 6 on the Agenda being Reports and Communications**

A. From Legal Counsel.

None.

B. From Staff.

1. Ed Rice spoke re: the Brown Bark I v. TCLP Circuit Court of Appeals decision.

C. From Board.

1. Jim Carruthers spoke re: the "Don't Frack Michigan" documents he distributed to the Board prior to the start of the meeting.
2. Barbara Budros spoke re: the benefits of the recent joint meeting with Cherryland.
3. Mike Coco spoke re: the NMEAC solar presentation scheduled for October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Item 7 on the Agenda being Public Comment**

No one from the public commented.

There being no objection, Chairman McGuire declared the meeting adjourned at 6:46 p.m.



Edward E. Rice, Secretary  
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD