

**TRAVERSE CITY
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD**

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Held at 5:15 p.m., Commission Chambers, Governmental Center
Tuesday, September 25, 2012

Board Members -

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

Ex Officio Member -

Present: R. Ben Bifoss

Others: Ed Rice, W. Peter Doren, Tim Arends, Stephanie Tvardek, Jessica
Wheaton, Jim Cooper

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

State Representative Wayne Schmidt presented a Centennial Tribute to the Traverse City Light and Power Department on behalf of Governor Rick Snyder, Rep. Wayne Schmidt, and State Senator Howard Walker.

Item 2 on the Agenda being Consent Calendar

None.

Items removed from the Consent Calendar

None.

Item 3 on the Agenda being Old Business

None.

Item 4 on the Agenda being New Business

4(a). Consideration of approving minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 11, 2012.

Moved by Carruthers, seconded by Coco, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 11, 2012, be approved.

CARRIED unanimously.

4(b). Presentation of 2012 Customer Survey Results.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Jessica Wheaton, Marketing and Community Relations Coordinator
Cathlyn Sommerfield, NMC – Director of Research Services
Ed Rice, Executive Director

- 4(c). Presentation from the Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce regarding the Energy Optimization Initiative.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Laura Galbraith, Vice President of Administration, Traverse City Area Chamber of Commerce

Jim Cooper, Manager of Communications and Energy Services

W. Peter Doren, General Counsel

Ed Rice, Executive Director

There was general consensus amongst the board for staff to further investigate working with the Chamber.

- 4(d). Consideration of an electric vehicle lease.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Ed Rice, Executive Director

R. Ben Bifoss, City Manager

Tim Arends, Controller

Moved by Coco, seconded by Spence, that the Light and Power Board authorize the Executive Director to lease a 2013 Chevrolet Volt to replace a vehicle in the metering department, subject to approval as to form by Counsel.

Roll Call:

Yes – Coco, Spence, Taylor

No – Budros, Carruthers, Snodgrass, McGuire

FAILED.

Item 5 on the Agenda being Appointments

None.

Item 6 on the Agenda being Reports and Communications

A. From Legal Counsel.

1. W. Peter Doren spoke re: the Brown Bark I v. TCLP Circuit Court of Appeals decision.

B. From Staff.

1. Jessica Wheaton spoke re: the Generation Survey.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Ed Rice, Executive Director

R. Ben Bifoss, City Manager

R. Ben Bifoss departed the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

2. Ed Rice gave an update on the South Side Distribution Substation Project.

Barbara Budros departed the meeting at 7:26 p.m.
Barbara Budros rejoined the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

W. Peter Doren, General Counsel

3. Jessica Wheaton gave an update re: the Neighborhood Association meetings.
4. Ed Rice spoke re: APPA Public Utility Governance Workshops.

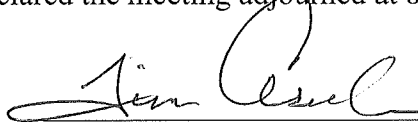
C. From Board.

1. John Snodgrass inquired into the Operations and Management Audit relating to City Commission action on the audit contract.
2. Bob Spence inquired as to the status of the Pine and State Street Project.
3. Jessica Wheaton presented the APPA Century Award.

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 8:03 p.m.



Tim Arends, Secretary
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD

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