

**TRAVERSE CITY
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD**

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Held at 5:15 p.m., Commission Chambers, Governmental Center
Tuesday, October 25, 2011

Board Members -

Present: Jim Carruthers, John Snodgrass, Ralph Soffredine, John Taylor, Linda Johnson, Mike Coco, Michael Estes

Absent: None

Ex Officio Member -

Present: R. Ben Bifoss

Others: Ed Rice, W. Peter Doren, Tim Arends, Jessica Wheaton, Jim Cooper, Rod Solak

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

Item 2 on the Agenda being Consent Calendar

Moved by Soffredine, seconded by Johnson, that the following actions, as recommended on the Consent Calendar portion of the Agenda, be approved:

- a. Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 13, 2011.

CARRIED unanimously. (Estes absent)

Item 3 on the Agenda being Old Business

None.

Item 4 on the Agenda being New Business

3(a). Consideration of approving a Michigan Electric Cooperative Association (MECA) Safety Program Agreement.

Moved by Soffredine, seconded by Johnson, that the Light & Power Board authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with the Michigan Electric Cooperative Association for employee safety training.

CARRIED unanimously. (Estes absent)

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 reported on a court case re: the Freedom of Information Act.

B. From Staff.

1. Ed Rice and Tim Arends spoke re: the rate comparison study.

Estes arrived at 5:42 p.m.

Chairman Coco, with consensus of the board, suspended the board rules and allowed Mayor Bzdok to provide public comment on the rate comparison study.

2. Ed Rice spoke re: the City application for the Transportation Investment Generating Economic Recovery grant.

Mayor Bzdok provided public comment on the grant.

3. Jessica Wheaton spoke re: the TCL&P Open House held on October 8.
4. Ed Rice spoke re: neighborhood association meetings.
5. Jessica Wheaton spoke re: the DDA/DTCA tree lighting and holiday open house event.

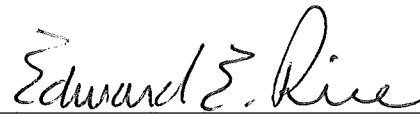
C. From Board.

1. Jim Carruthers spoke re: the TCL&P Board meeting scheduled for November 8.
2. John Snodgrass spoke re: Carbon Monoxide Safety and Awareness Week.
3. John Taylor requested an update on TCL&P's Energy Optimization Program.
4. Vice-Chair Johnson congratulated W. Peter Doren on being the recipient of the Jim Mudgett Trail Pioneer Award.
5. Chairman Coco thanked Mayor Bzdok for his support of TCL&P.

Item 7 on the Agenda being Public Comment

No one from the public commented.

There being no objection, Chairman Coco declared the meeting adjourned at 7:15 p.m.



Edward E. Rice, Secretary
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD

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