

**TRAVERSE CITY
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD**

Minutes of the Regular Board - Virtual Meeting
Held at 5:15 p.m.,
Tuesday, February 9, 2021

Board Members Present: Patrick McGuire, Elysha Davila, Ross Hammersley, Amy Shamroe, Tim Werner, Paul Heiberger, John Taylor

All Board members were physically located in Traverse City, Grand Traverse County, and the State of Michigan for the remote meeting.

Board Members Absent:

Ex Officio Member: Marty Colburn, City Manager

Others: Tim Arends, Daren Dixon, Karla Myers Beman, Scott Menhart, Kelli Schroeder, Tony Chartrand, Jacob Hardy

1. **Roll Call**

2. **Disclosure of Recusal**

None.

3. **General Public Comment**

None.

4. **Consent Calendar**

- a. Approval of Agenda
- b. Approved minutes of the Regular meeting of January 12, 2021.
- c. *Removed.*
- d. *Removed.*

Amy Shamroe moved that the following actions, as recommended on the Consent Calendar portion of the Agenda, be approved, as amended. Patrick McGuire seconded the motion.

Yes: Patrick McGuire, Elysha Davila, Ross Hammersley, Amy Shamroe, Tim Werner, Paul Heiberger, and John Taylor

Absent: None

Carried 7 to 0.

5. Items Removed from Consent Calendar

- a. Consideration of approving the 2021 Strategic Plan.

NO ACTION TAKEN.

- b. Consideration of approving a six-year substation maintenance contract.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Tony Chartrand, System Engineer

Paul Heiberger moved that the Board approve a six-year contract with Energis Holdings, LLC for a not to exceed amount of \$218,163.25 for substation preventative and corrective maintenance. Amy Shamroe seconded the motion.

Yes: Patrick McGuire, Elysha Davila, Ross Hammersley, Amy Shamroe, Tim Werner, Paul Heiberger, and John Taylor

Absent: None

Carried 7 to 0.

6. Unfinished Business

- a. Consideration of scheduling a Public Hearing at the March 2021 regular meeting for the Pilot Time of Use Rate.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Tim Arends, Executive Director

Karla Myers-Beman, Controller

Mark Beauchamp, President, Utility Financial Solutions

Paul Heiberger moved that the Board conceptually approves the Time of Use Pilot Rate as presented with final approval to occur after the public hearing. In addition, set a public hearing at the March 9, 2021 regular meeting, and further that a notice of the public hearing be posted on the utility's website and placed in the Traverse City Record Eagle. Elysha Davila seconded the motion.

Yes: Elysha Davila, Ross Hammersley, Amy Shamroe, Tim Werner, Paul Heiberger, and John Taylor

No: Patrick McGuire

Absent: None

Carried 6 to 1.

7. New Business

- a. Consideration of forwarding the Fiber 2021-22 Operating Budget to the City Commission or consideration of approval as required by Charter.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Karla Myers-Beman, Controller

Ross Hammersley moved that the Light and Power Board approves forwarding the 2021-22 Fiber Fund Operating Budget as presented to the City Commission for its consideration of approval. Amy Shamroe seconded the motion.

Yes: Patrick McGuire, Elysha Davila, Ross Hammersley, Amy Shamroe, Tim Werner, Paul Heiberger, and John Taylor

Absent: None

Carried 7 to 0.

- b. Consideration of EV Charging Network Project Authorization Request and authorizing EGLE Grant Application.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Tim Arends, Executive Director

Daren Dixon, Operations Manager

Steve Purdy, Executive Sales Manager, Blink Charging

Jacob Hardy, Key Accounts Mgr. & Energy Technician

Amy Shamroe moved that the Board approves, as presented, the Electric Vehicle Charging Station Project, contingent upon an approved grant from the Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE); and further authorizes staff to apply for a grant with EGLE for the purchase of 2-Level II and 3-DC fast chargers. Ross Hammersley seconded the motion.

Yes: Elysha Davila, Ross Hammersley, Amy Shamroe, Tim Werner, Paul Heiberger, and John Taylor

No: Patrick McGuire

Absent: None

Carried 6 to 1.

- c. Consideration of authorizing staff to apply for the Connected Communities Grant and approve the resolution of support.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Tim Arends, Executive Director

John Taylor, Board Chairperson

Ross Hammersley moved that the Board authorizes staff to apply for the Connected Communities Grant in collaboration with the entities mentioned in the memo and to approve the resolution of support for Connected Communities. Paul Heiberger seconded the motion.

Yes: Patrick McGuire, Elysha Davila, Ross Hammersley, Amy Shamroe, Tim Werner, Paul Heiberger, and John Taylor

Absent: None

Carried 7 to 0.

8. Reports and Communications

a. From Legal.

b. From Staff.

1. Traverse Connect Update

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Tim Arends, Executive Director
Warren Call, CEO, Traverse Connect

2. Presentation of the Energy Waste Reduction Program

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Jacob Hardy, Key Accounts Mgr. & Energy Technician

Amy Shamroe left the meeting at 7:30 p.m.

The following items were not presented to the Board.

3. FTTP Update
4. Presentation of the 2019-2020 Annual Report
5. Customer Survey Update
6. COVID Vaccine Update

c. From Board.

1. Chairperson's report.

9. Public Comment

- a. General Public Comment

10. Adjournment

There being no objection, Chairperson Taylor moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m.

Yes: Ross Hammersley, Elysha Davila, Tim Werner, Paul Heiberger, Pat McGuire and John Taylor

Absent: Amy Shamroe

Carried 6 to 0.

Tim Arends

Tim Arends, Secretary
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