

**TRAVERSE CITY
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD**

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Held at 5:15 p.m., Commission Chambers, Governmental Center
Tuesday, March 10, 2020

Board Members -

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

Absent:

Ex Officio Member -

Present: Marty Colburn, City Manager

Others: Tim Arends, Karrie Zeits (Legal Counsel), Karla Myers-Beman, Kelli Schroeder, Daren Dixon, Tony Chartrand, Jacob Hardy,

Item 2 on the Agenda being Disclosure of Recusal - (Hammersley recused himself from discussion of the TART Trail presentation)

Item 3 on the Agenda being Consent Calendar

Moved by McGuire, seconded by Shamroe, that the following actions, as recommended on the Consent Calendar portion of the Agenda, be approved.

- a. Approved the Agenda.
- b. Approved the minutes of the Study Session of February 11, 2020.
- c. Approved the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 11, 2020.
- d. Approved a construction contract with C.C. Power. for Critical & Large Customers #3 Project in the amount of \$779,197.00.
- e. Approved a material purchase with Border States in the amount of \$27,581.97, with Power Line Supply in the amount of \$28,295.79, and with RESCO in the amount of \$18,880.00 for Critical & Large Customers #3 Project.
- f. Approved a new part-time cleaning position with updates to the Organizational Chart.
- g. Approved the Grant and Outside Funding Policy.

CARRIED unanimously.

Items Removed from the Consent Calendar

None.

Item 4 on the Agenda being Unfinished Business

a. Public Hearing regarding:

- Fiber to the Premise Project Rates.

Chairman Taylor opened the Public Hearing.

The following individuals from the Public addressed the Board:

Jeffrey Mort, 1429 S. Union St., ratepayer
Rick Buckhalter, 932 Kelley St., ratepayer
Barb Willing, Grant St., GT County Resident

Chairman Taylor closed the Public Hearing.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Tim Arends, Executive Director
Rob Worden, Network Design & Integration – Fujitsu

The following individuals from the Public addressed the Board:

Jeffrey Mort, 1429 S. Union St., ratepayer
Barb Willing, Grant St., GT County Resident
Rick Buckhalter, 932 Kelley St., ratepayer

Moved by Hammersley, seconded by Heiberger, that the Board authorizes the rates shown in the presented tariff rates effective March 10, 2020.

CARRIED unanimously.

Item 5 on the Agenda being New Business

a. Discussion of TCL&P Collective Bargaining negotiations strategy.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Tim Arends, Executive Director

Moved by Shamroe, seconded by McGuire, that the Board enter into closed session following public comment to consider the strategy and negotiation of the collective bargaining agreement between the TCL&P Board and the Utility Workers Union of America, AFL-CIO, Local No. 295, and to adjourn immediately thereafter.

Roll Call – 7 (YES)

CARRIED unanimously.

- b. Consideration of approving the Electric Fund 2020-21 operating budget to the City Commission for consideration of approval as required by Charter.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Karla Myers-Beman, Controller
Tim Arends, Executive Director
Daren Dixon, Operations Manager

Moved by McGuire, seconded by Shamroe, that the Light & Power Board approves forwarding the 2020-21 Electric Fund Operating Budget as presented to the City Commission for its consideration of approval.

CARRIED unanimously.

Moved by Shamroe, seconded by Heiberger, that the Light & Power Board directs staff to contribute into the retirement system based on the six year amortization calculated on the market value of assets option provided by MERS and pay the retiree health insurance premiums in addition to the actuarially determined contribution calculated by the OPEB actuary.

CARRIED unanimously.

Moved by Werner, seconded by Hammersley, that the Light & Power Board approves the minimum cash reserve amount of \$8,704,000 for the fiscal year 2020-21.

CARRIED unanimously.

Item 6 on the Agenda being Reports and Communications

- a. From Legal Counsel.
1. Consideration of attorney-client privileged written document.

The following individual addressed the Board:

Karrie Zeits, Legal Counsel

- b. From Staff.
1. Executive Director Evaluation Process.

The following individuals addressed the Board.

Kelli Schroeder, Manager of Human Resources & Communications
Shannon Hensel, Rehmann Robson

2. TraverseConnect presentation.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Tim Arends, Executive Director
Warren Call, CEO - TraverseConnect

3. TART Trail presentation.
(Board Member Hammersley recused himself from discussions)

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Tim Arends, Executive Director
Julie Clark, Executive Director – TART Trails

4. FTTP update.

The following individuals addressed the Board:

Rick DeLisle, Director, Service Delivery – Fujitsu

- c. From the Board – None.

Item 7 on the Agenda being Public Comment

- a. General – None.

There being no objection, Chairman Taylor declared the meeting adjourned to a closed session at 7:25 p.m.

7:25 p.m. the Board entered in to closed session (adjournment occurred immediately following).



Tim Arends, Secretary
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD