

# WEST BOYLSTON MUNICIPAL LIGHTING PLANT

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## **Board of Light Commission, Regular Session Meeting Minutes, January 6, 2014**

**Present:** Board members, Anthony Meola and William Smith, GM Jonathan Fitch were present.

Representatives from Mass American Energy, LLC were present to discuss solar energy.

The meeting was called to order at 5:05pm by Commissioner Handy

**Agenda:** The Board approved the agenda without changes.

**Meeting Minutes:** The Board reviewed and approved the regular session meeting minutes of December 2, 2014.

**Financial Statements:** The Board reviewed and discussed the attached 2014 bank account balances to date.

**Power & Transmission:** The GM gave the Board the attached November 2014 cost of power & transmission for WBMLP to review and discuss.

**MassDEP CES Regulations:** MassDEP is continuing its efforts to implement a Clean Energy Standards (CES). Public hearings are scheduled in February. WBMLP and our attorney believe that MassDEP does not have the legal authority to impose the CES on MLP's. WBMLP will discuss with our legislators.

**Micro-grid & Demand Response:** WBMLP sent the Sheriff a proposal to study whether a Combined Heat and Power plant would work for WBMLP and the jail.

**Solar Project:** The Board and Mass American Energy discuss a landfill utility solar project and the potential economics. The GM told the board the town administrator will discuss with the Selectman to see if they are willing to give us control of the land. WBMLP could invest in a new project or we could use a developer through a PPA to build a project.

**Recloser Bids:** The GM requested the board to consider purchasing additional protective devices to limit the amount and duration of outages on our electrical distribution system. The GM would like to purchase reclosers and installing up to 6 town-wide to help isolate faults and minimize the impact on our new substation equipment. The Board approved the purchase of (3) reclosers.

**Other:** None

The next meeting is February 3, 2015. The Board meeting adjourned at 6:00pm.

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Anthony Meola Jr,

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Winthrop Handy

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William Smith