

WEST BOYLSTON MUNICIPAL LIGHTING PLANT

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Board of Light Commission, Regular Session Meeting Minutes, December 1, 2015

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

The meeting was called to order at 5:20pm by Commissioner Handy

Agenda: The Board reviewed and approved the agenda.

Meeting Minutes: The Board reviewed and approved the attached meeting minutes of October 6, 2015.

Financial Statements: The Board reviewed and discussed the attached FY2015 bank balances to date. Commission Meola asked what the interest rates were for the money market account at People's Bank and what the use of the fund was for. Mr. Fitch will provide an update at next meeting.

Solar Project: Mr. Fitch gave the Board a project update. WBMLP is preparing civil design plans to submit to Planning Board, Zoning Board of Appeals, and MassDEP.

911/Dispatch Fiber: The Board was updated on the project status by Mr. Fitch. WBMLP ordered approximately 6.2 miles of aerial fiber and hardware to install on approximately 230 utility poles from WBMLP to Holden.

Decommissioning Funds: Mr. Fitch gave the Board a status to date of WBMLP's nuclear project decommissioning funds. Both are well funded according to schedules.

Rates: The 12 month average residential electric rate comparison was reviewed and discussed by the Board.

Retiree Health Care Plans: The Board reviewed and discussed the retiree health insurance plan costs effective January 1, 2016. The most expensive

plan decreased 36% without many plan changes and the other two plans increased 2-3%.

Distributed Generation: WBMLP is continuing its investigating into the economic feasibility of installing a 2MW natural gas generator within our system to reduce load, reduce transmission expenses, generate energy during high cost hours, and provide emergency backup to our distribution system.

The Board would like to visit a locally installed and similarly sized DG system in the future.

Route 140/12 Causeway: Mr. Fitch requested the Board to consider the installation of (7) steel utility poles as a replacing/upgrade during the upcoming pavement project. The Board didn't have an issue with either steel or wood poles. The Board requested new LED lights for the causeway.

Trucks: WBMLP has a 2006 F350 4x2 dump truck with 16,000 miles and a 2000 C3500 4x4 utility body truck with snow plow and 29,000 miles. Mr. Fitch proposed to the Board selling and/or trading the two trucks for (1) new 2016 F350 4x4 dump with snow plow that can perform both function as the two older trucks. The Board will consider at a future meeting.

Other: The office holiday lunch is December 18, 2015. Provide (2) porta potties for ice rinks. Install new US flag for library and new POW/MIA flag for WBMLP.

The Board meeting adjourned at 6:30pm.

Anthony Meola Jr,

Winthrop Handy

William Smith