## Regular and Executive Session Minutes August 4, 2014 Meeting of the Ashburnham Municipal Light Plant Board 24 Williams Road, Ashburnham, MA

Present Commissioners: Mark Carlisle, Rick Ahlin participated via conference call. Kevin Lashua (absent)

The meeting was called to order at 4:40 PM by Carlisle via remote participation conference call, as Ahlin was unexpectedly outside the geographical area due to work, and Commissioner Lashua was not present. Carlisle chaired the meeting. It was determined that there was an immediate need to have a person with legal authority to sign warrants and other documents on behalf of the AMLP after the retirement of the Manager.

Ahlin made a motion to nominate Carlisle to have the temporary authority to sign documents as required until the hiring of a new Manager. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Carlisle. The motion was approved by roll call vote, Carlisle aye, Ahlin aye.

A motion was made at 4:45 to enter into Executive Session for contract negotiation with non-union personnel by Ahlin and was seconded by Carlisle. Roll Call vote, Ahlin aye, Carlisle aye.

The discussion then began about offering the Managers position to Mr. Michael Rivers pending the necessary clearances. Commissioner Carlisle will be contacting Mr. Rivers to set up a meeting time for August 11, 2014 for 6:00 or 7:00 P.M..

Commissioner Carlisle will have the meeting posted as Executive Session.

Carlisle made a motion to return to open session only to adjourn at 4:55 this was seconded by Ahlin. Roll Call vote, Ahlin aye, Carlisle aye.

Respectfully submitted, Mark Carlisle Secretary

<u>Note</u>-This meeting met the legal guidelines to be considered an emergency meeting, as there was a pending legal requirement for someone to have the designated authority to sign payment warrants and other documents after the retirement of the previous Manager and pending the hiring of the new Manager. We recognize that an error was made by not having a quorum present at the actual meeting location, but the board was unaware of this requirement as it had never utilized remote participation in the past, and did not have prior notice that it would be used on this date.