

Ashburnham Municipal Light Board

Wednesday, February 21, 2018
24 Williams Road, Conference Room
Ashburnham, MA 01430

Meeting Minutes

Commissioners: Rick Ahlin, Chairman

Mark Carlisle, Vice Chairman

Sarah Davis, Clerk

AMLP General Manager: Kevin Sullivan

Other Attendees: Anne Olivari, Matthew Ide (MMWEC), Jason Viadero (MMWEC)

Ahlin called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm with a roll call vote. Ahlin present, Carlisle present, Davis present (left at 8:10 pm).

Ahlin announced all Board meetings are subject to audio and video recording.

Carlisle made a motion to accept the agenda as written. Davis seconded. All in favor.

Carlisle made a motion to approve the meeting minutes from January 17, 2018. Ahlin seconded. All in favor. Carlisle aye, Ahlin aye, Davis aye.

Meeting minutes from December 20, 2017 were tabled.

General Manager Items:

Battery Storage Project: Sullivan presented budget for project. He mentioned that there is an approval needed for wetlands by the Conservation Commission. Viadero discussed the timeline for the project including construction of foundation, interconnection and the lead time on the battery. He estimates it to be online by the end of 2018. Ide spoke about the budget of the project, the lifetime of the system and its monitoring system. Ahlin made a motion to authorize Sullivan to sign the lease agreement and move forward with the project. Carlisle seconded. Ahlin aye, Carlisle aye.

MA Municipal Self Insurance Trust Fund voting designees - Carlisle designated Sullivan as the voting designee and Ahlin as the alternate. Ahlin seconded. All in favor. Ahlin aye. Carlisle aye.

Pilot Payment – Based on KWH sold. Carlisle made a motion to accept the pilot payment of \$68,147.52. Ahlin seconded. Carlisle aye, Ahlin aye.

Inventory Reconciling and Transition to .NET – Sullivan stated the inventory has been successfully moved from Curl to .NET in Northern Data Systems. The current valuation is \$266,911.00.

OPEB Valuation – Sullivan stated that the auditors believe that the best practice is to have MMWEC handle OPEB. The Liability will be on AMLP balance sheet December 2018. There are different options to funding OPEB. Funding discussion will be presented to the Board later in 2018.

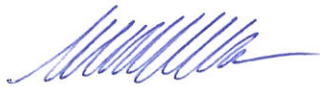
Meter Replacement: Sullivan has gone through the agreement, updates and fees. He is waiting on another document to review.

APPA Conference – Sullivan asked board for approval to attend APPA conference in April in Raleigh, NC. Board approved.

Pay Rate Change – The pay rate change from the Collective Bargaining Agreement began on February 10, 2018.

The next meeting for the board was scheduled for March 21, 2018 at 7:00pm

Carlisle made a motion to adjourn at 9:05 pm. Ahlin seconded. Carlisle aye, Ahlin aye.



Mark Carlisle, Vice Chair