Marquette Board of Light and Power 03-23-2021 MINUTES
2200 Wright St., Marquette, MI 49855 (906) 228-0311

A regular meeting of the Board of Light and Power was called and held on March 23rd, 2021 beginning at 4:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

Due to special circumstances and as permitted by Public Act 228 of 2020, public participation was held via conference call.

Present: John Prince, Chair
Robert Niemi, Vice Chair/Secretary
Ed Angeli
Jerry Irby

Absent: John Sonderegger

J. Irby made a motion to excuse J. Sonderegger from the 03-23-21 meeting, E. Angeli seconded the motion, the Board unanimously approved

1. **Approval of the February 23rd, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes**
E. Angeli made a motion to accept the February 23rd, 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. J. Irby seconded the motion, the Board unanimously approved.

2. **Approval of Bills Payable:**
J. Irby made a motion to approve the Bills Payable, as presented, totaling $ 1,044,087.27. E. Angeli seconded the motion and after discussion, the Board unanimously approved the Bills Payables as presented.

3. **Public Comments:**

No public comment was made at this time.

4. **Recommendation to Approve the Purchase of Two (2) 69kV Circuit Breakers**
E. Angeli made a motion to award the purchase of two (2) 67kV Circuit Breakers in the amount of $ 84,900 to GE Grid Solutions, R. Niemi seconded the motion and after discussion, the motion was approved unanimously.

5. **Recommendation to Approve the Purchase of One (1) 12.5kV Circuit Breaker**
R. Niemi made a motion to approve the purchase of one (1) 12.5kV Circuit Breaker from WESCO (ABB, Inc) in the amount of $25,340.00. E. Angeli seconded the motion and after discussion, the Board unanimously approved.

6. **Recommendation to Award Engineering/Design and On-Site Commissioning Services of the Shiras Transformer LTC**
E. Angeli made a motion to award Engineering/Design and On-Site Commissioning Services of the Shiras Transformer LTC to GRP Engineering in the amount of $39,500.00. J. Irby seconded the motion and after discussion, the Board unanimously approved.

7. **Recommendation to Approve the Purchase of four (4) Pad-Mount Polyphase Transformers**
J. Irby made a motion to approve the purchase four (4) Pad-Mount Polyphase Transformers from PowerLine Supply in the amount of $55,826.00. E. Angeli seconded the motion and after discussion, the Board unanimously approved.

8. **Recommendation to Award 69kV Three-Position Switch Installations Services**
J. Irby made a motion to award 69kV Three-Position Installations Services to Hydaker-Wheatlake Co. in the amount of $79,842.00. R. Niemi seconded the motion and after discussion, the Board unanimously approved.

9. **Capital Projects**

a. Second Interconnection – Still working through engineering & routing. Will be contacting landowners this upcoming week.

b. Wright St Expansion – On target and on plan, move in should be starting the next few weeks. Josh is having a meeting next week to go over final dates of completion.

c. Shiras CCR/Shiras Demolition – Still on target for April timeline. North American Dismantling is in the process of moving equipment up here. Currently planning one final lighting of the Shiras Steam Plant Christmas Tree.

d. Fiber Optic Project – Ongoing, PSE has started their analysis. Customer surveys have been sent out. Laura is working on providing a resolution of support for the City Commission to discuss.

e. Other – N/A

10. **Financial Discussion – Mark Link:**
Chief Financial Officer – Mark Link presented the Interim Operating Statement for the month ending February 28th, 2021, Projected Cash Flow Statement, KWH Comparative vs. Prior Year and Five-Year History, &Trending Actual Revenue versus Budget.

11. **Public Comments:**

No public comment was made.

12. **<u>Any Additional Business the Executive Director Wishes to Present</u>**:
T. Carpenter discussed the current status of the Energy Optimization program (Originally PA 295 in 2008, updated in 2016 PA342). The state mandated Energy Optimization program is set to expire at the end of 2021. T. Carpenter explained to the Board different aspects of the current programs and some possible options moving forward if the Board chooses to continue the program.

13. **<u>Any Additional Business the Board Members Wish to Present:</u>**

R. Niemi – Nothing additional

E. Angeli – Received a question from a resident on S. Lake Street regarding the power lines and poles; the customer inquired about underground. B. Collins spoke to the timeline of repairs and pole replacement on S. Lake Street & also spoke to the process if the residents chose to have the lines placed underground (typically cost prohibitive to the customer.)

J. Irby – Nothing additional

J. Prince – Nothing additional

<u>Adjournment:</u>
The meeting adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

Robert Niemi

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Vice Chair/Secretary