Ashburnham Municipal Light Board

Tuesday, September 14, 2021
99 Central Street, Public Safety Training Room
Ashburnham, MA 01430

Meeting Minutes

Commissioners: Mark Carlisle, Chairman
Richard Ahlin, Vice Chairman
Stephen Hogan, Secretary
AMLP General Manager: Kevin Sullivan
Other Attendees: Brooke Czasnowski

Carlisle called the meeting to order at 9:03 am with a roll call vote. Ahlin present, Hogan present, Carlisle present.

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

Ahlin made a motion to accept the agenda as written. Hogan seconded. All in favor. Carlisle aye, Ahlin aye, Hogan aye.

Ahlin made a motion to approve the August 18, 2021, open session meeting minutes. Hogan seconded. All in favor. Ahlin aye, Hogan aye, Carlisle aye.

General Manager Items:

Garage and Mezzanine Insulation Replacement Project: Sullivan informed the Board that the bid for the Garage and Mezzanine Insulation Replacement Project was sent out to over sixty bidders. Only two bidders attended the mandatory walk-through, and one bid was received. The bid from Foam Run was opened on 9/8 with a value of $175,000.

Ahlin made a motion to proceed with the Garage and Mezzanine Insulation Replacement Project by accepting the bid from Foam Run for $175,000. Hogan seconded. All in favor. Aylin aye, Hogan aye, Carlisle aye.

EV Charger Grant: Sullivan stated that the Select Board will need to vote on installing the EV Charger on the East side parking area at the Town Hall. Sullivan will attend a meeting on 9/16 to discuss.

AMLP Policies: Sullivan presented the Board with five policies to be discussed. One policy was signed, and the remaining four policies were discussed and tabled.

- 2.0009 v.3 Leave: tabled
- 2.0001 v.2 The Sale of the Ashburnham Municipal Light Plant: tabled
- 3.0002 v.2 Implementation and Documentation of Sabotage: signed
- 2.0008 v.3 Vacation: tabled
- 2.0004 v.2 Paid Holidays: tabled

Ahlin made a motion to change the definition of a full-time employee from "an employee whose regularly scheduled hours exceed or equals 20 hours per week" to "an employee with a minimum of 32 regularly scheduled weekly hours". Hogan seconded. All in favor. Aylin aye, Hogan aye, Carlisle aye.

NEC ES Future Battery Maintenance: Sullivan informed the Board that NEC ES announced that LG Energy Solutions (subsidiary of LG Chem) has purchased NEC ES. The batteries in the AMLP battery storage container are manufactured by LG chem.

AMLP Support for Mini-splits: Sullivan had a discussion with the Board about the rebates selections made through MMWEC for mini-splits. Sullivan stated that MMWEC makes recommendations yearly with the different rebate amounts and the AMLP can modify as necessary.

The next meeting for the Board was scheduled for October 20th, 2021, at 9:00 am.

Ahlin made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:58 am. Carlisle seconded. All in favor. Ahlin aye, Hogan aye, Carlisle aye.

Stephen Hogan, Secretary