

Hingham Municipal Light Plant
Tuesday, May 14, 2008
Town Hall

Attendees:

Kevin Bulman, Chairman
Walter Foskett, Commissioner
John A. Stoddard, Jr., Commissioner
John Tzimorangas, General Manager
Paul Heanue, Assistant General Manager

Agenda

1. Call meeting to order
2. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes
3. Manager's Report
4. Warrant Signatures
5. Correspondence
6. Executive Session
7. Other Business
 - Cushing Street Project
8. Motion to Adjourn

1. Call to Order

Chairman Bulman called meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Previous Meeting

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously agreed to table the minutes of the meeting for February 12, 2008 and March 4, 2008.

3. Managers Report

MMWEC Audit

General updated the Board on the hiring of Melanson and Heath as the audit firm to perform the audit on the PSA contract from MMWEC. There are nine municipal systems participating in the audit and data gathering for the review has begun by the auditors.

SEMA FERC Complaint

General Manager updated the Board on the SEMA complaint filed with the FERC by 7 Southeastern Massachusetts municipals. The complaint has been reviewed by all other interested parties and several of them have requested intervener status during the review process by the Commission. A Cape Cod Senator and Representative are also filing for this status and are in support of the municipal's position regarding the Canal Plant. The

municipals will be filing their own comments to the intervener comments/questions in the next few weeks.

Middleton Power Plant Project

The General Manager and Assistant General Manager attend a meeting in Reading regarding the potential power plant project to be built by Middleton and Reading in the Middleton service territory near the North Andover border. The plant would be of similar size to the Braintree plant and offer an attractive heat rate that would be competitive in the market. The proforma and a schedule of permitting and meetings were reviewed at this meeting. There will be more information available in the next month and we will continue to review the project for a fit in the HMLP power supply.

Taunton Power Plant Project

The Taunton base load project continues to work through the cost estimates and permitting stages. The proposed contract documents are complete and ready for review. HMLP will join 12 other systems in hiring Duncan and Allen to review these documents and provide feedback on the areas of concern if HMLP was to consider joining the project. The new cost estimate for the 280 MW plant is in the \$413 million dollar range. The raw cost of material and the labor rates are continuing to drive the power plant prices well above their historical averages.

Cogsdale

General Manager discussed the work order package that was presented to the HMLP staff in a web session with the senior staff of Cogsdale. The version reviewed is much closer to the requirements that HMLP presented to Cogsdale during the RFP process. HMLP will be working with Cogsdale to test the system and provide some testing information to make sure the system operates per the HMLP requirements.

4. Warrant Signatures

Warrant Signatures were provided by the Board members

5. Correspondence

No correspondence received.

6. Executive Session

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously agreed to end regular session and enter executive session at 7:50.

General discussion regarding litigation

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously voted to

end executive session and enter regular meeting at 8:00.

7. Other Business

Cushing Street

General Manager received an updated cost estimate for the 2-floor office and operations center building. The building would be over \$5 million dollars are current proposed. The Board discussed the design and the need to have adequate space for operations and staff. The suggestion was made to have the architect look to include the second floor offices and space to the first level and enlarge the first level to accommodate all the requirements put forward by the Board at previous meetings. The design will be reviewed with the architect and then discussed at the next Board meeting.

Board Reorganization

The Board discussed and decided to reorganize the positions on the Board. The positions would include:

Chairman
Vice-Chairman
Secretary

For the upcoming year the proposed slate of Officers are the following:

Chairman	John A. Stoddard, Jr.
Vice-Chairman	Walter A. Foskett
Secretary	Kevin J. Bulman

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously voted to approve the slate of Officers for the year 2008-2009 as listed above.

8. Motion to Adjourn

Upon a motion duly made and seconded, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn the regular meeting 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

John A. Stoddard, Jr., Secretary