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Hingham Municipal Light Board

Regular Meeting held on November 28, 2012

A regular meeting of the Board of the Hingham Municipal Lighting Plant (HMLP) was called to order at 6:35 p.m. on Wednesday evening, November 28, 2012 at the Hingham Municipal Light Offices at 350 Lincoln Street, Hingham, Massachusetts.

Present: Walter A. Foskett, Chairman, John A. Stoddard Jr., Secretary, Paul Heanue, General Manager,

Attendees: Gus Bregnard, Steve Girardi, Panos Tokadjian and Michael Menten

Recording Secretary: Karen Morgan.

Regular Meeting:

Approve Previous Meeting Minutes:

On a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to approve the submitted prior meeting minutes as amended.

North Street undergrounding

The Town Administrator attempted to speak to the last two customers who need to upgrade their services to be fed from the underground. One indicated he would set his service up so that it can be fed from the underground. The other was unavailable to meet at the appointed meeting time. The Town Administrator indicated if necessary he would propose a warrant article for Town meeting that will require him to do it. If it isn't done by Town Meeting a vote will be taken there which could require him to move his service or allow the Town to direct us to cut him off.

Status of Land of Building

John Cavanaro left drawings representing progress to date. The GM described the plans and the pros and cons of the proposed site.

Budget for 2013

The GM discussed the proposed budget and how the figures were calculated- an increase of 3% except transmission (15% based on ENE projections) over 2012s actuals projected to date.

For larger capital items, we are going to order another bucket truck. The replacement of the switches at the demarcation point in Weymouth is another capital project. Several years we considered moving the switches and the scope of the job grew to a \$400K price tag. A decision was made that figure was too high. We are going to replace the switches and not get involved with moving them to a different location. We are going to put aside \$50K for an engineering study. The budget will be discussed and voted on at the next scheduled meeting.

Warrant Signatures

The Chairman and Secretary reviewed and executed the warrant/s presented by the GM.

Correspondence

The GM spoke of emails from people commenting positively about our performance in Hurricane Sandy.

Executive Session:

At 7:20 p.m. on a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to move into Executive Session.

Topics included discussing trade secrets, personnel and strategy with respect to litigation.

At 8 p.m. on a motion duly made and seconded it was unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.