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PEABODY MUNICIPAL LIGHTING COMMISSION MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 18, 2021

A regular meeting of the Peabody Municipal Lighting Commission was called to order on Thursday, November 18, 2021 at the Peabody Municipal Light Plant, 201 Warren Street Ext., Peabody, Massachusetts at 6:30 p.m.

Present for the meeting were Commissioners William Aylward, Charles Bonfanti, Thomas D'Amato, Thomas Paras and Robert Wheatley; Manager Charles Orphanos, Assistant Manager Bryan Howcroft, Attorney Philip Durkin and Recording Secretary Barbara Previte.

Chairman D'Amato asked if there were any additions to the agenda and Manager Orphanos stated that there are none.

- Agenda Item A: Approval of Agenda:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AYLWARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BONFANTI AND UNANIMOUSLY VOTED (5-0):

MOVE TO APPROVE THE AGENDA.

- Agenda Item B: Announcement:

Chairman D'Amato acknowledged that this is an open meeting and informed the public that the meeting is being recorded by hand and recorder.

- Agenda Item C: Approval of Minutes:

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AYLWARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER BONFANTI AND UNANIMOUSLY VOTED (5-0):

21-61- MOVE TO APPROVE THE REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF OCTOBER 28, 2021.

UNANIMOUSLY VOTED (5-0):

21-62 MOVE TO APPROVE AND NOT RELEASE THE MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION MEETING OF OCTOBER 28, 2021.

- Agenda Item D: Appointments:
- **REMARKS OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC:**



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Tracy Valletti requested to speak to the Commission. She introduced herself as Tracy Valletti who resides at 20 Emerson Street, Peabody. She proceeded to ask questions about the agenda, the asterisk, how to obtain copies of minutes. Chairman D'Amato stated that the Manager or any of the Commission would be happy to answer questions for her. The platform to get on the agenda is to put it in writing. She thanked the Commission and stated she will be in touch with the Manager.

- Agenda Item E: Correspondence

There being none the meeting continued.

- Agenda Item F: Manager's Reports:

STATUS REPORTS:

There being none the meeting continued.

- Agenda Item G: Committee Reports:

- **POLICY COMMITTEE** – Chairman D'Amato deferred to Commissioner Aylward who stated that at last month's meeting there was some concern regarding putting a cap on the donation. The Commission asked that Commission Aylward and Attorney Durkin continue working on a policy to address the cap. Discussions ensued regarding how to deal with the donation. Commissioner Aylward and Attorney Durkin will strategize this issue and bring it back for review at the next meeting.

- **BUILDING COMMITTEE** – Commissioner Paras reported that he is working with Business Manager, Karen Repucci, is finishing up the building repairs. Commissioner Paras stated the 4 bollard lights; flag/sign light, LED building and LED pole lights have been replaced. The roadway signs and decals for front vestibule and fuel station have been order. Fuel station drains were cleaned to remove sand, leaves and debris. The front yard got a load of loam that was raked and prepared in the spring. Flowers and mulch will be planted in the spring.

- Agenda Item H: Award of Bids:

There being none the meeting continued.



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- Agenda Item I, General Business:

- **POWER SUPPLY TRUST FUND** – Manager Orphanos explained that the necessary steps were taken in obtaining the \$10,000,000 for the 2015A Project. The Manager and Chairman signed off on the request as stated in the minutes.

- **REMARKS OF COMMISSION –**

MOTION BY COMMISSIONER AYLWARD, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER WHEATLEY AND UNANIMOUSLY VOTED (5-0):

MOVE TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHAPTER 30A, SECTION 21(a) FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING STRATEGY SESSIONS IN PREPARATION FOR COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AND TO DISCUSS TRADE SECRETS OR COMPETITIVELY SENSITIVE INFORMATION AND NOT TO RETURN.

Chairman D'Amato declared the Regular portion of the Meeting of November 18, 2021 adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

A TRUE RECORD

bAttest: 
Charles W. Bonfanti, Secretary
Peabody Municipal Lighting Commission