Rowley Municipal Lighting Plant

September 14, 2016 Commissioner's Meeting

7:00 PM - Town Hall Selectman's Room



Commissioners Present: G. Robert Merry, Robert Snow, Kenneth Keyes. Also in attendance was General Manager Daniel Folding, Office Manager Eric Grover

See attendance sheet for the public sign-in.

G. Robert Merry opened the meeting at 7:00 PM

Citizen Query

Nobody from the general public participated in this citizen's query.

Review and Approve Meeting Minutes

After reading the minutes from the regular meeting of August 10, 2016 provided, there were no corrections.

Snow made the motion to accept the regular meeting minutes of August 10, 2016. Keyes seconded the motion. All voted in favor at 7:01 PM.

Electric Vehicles and Public Charging Stations

Robert Snow was intrigued by a couple of articles he read regarding electric cars and charging stations. He would like to look at the broad spectrum on how Rowley, in the future, is going to deal with rates and charging station set-ups. Manager Folding has seen a few ways other municipals have started to develop a plan with "time of use rates" and off hour use. Snow said we should keep this on the radar and keep it on our minds for years to come, maybe as close as five years out.

Update on Solar Arrays

The RMLP is in the final stages of the PPA contract with Brightergy. This is the last part of the contract to complete before the building can start. Brightergy is up against a deadline of January 8, 2017 to be complete before they lose the tax credits.

Update in Roof Replacement Project

Manager Folding spoke to Debbie Eagan and was able to get a boiler plate from the highway department roof project. It as been advertised and bids are to be in by October 7, 2016.

Financial Update as of June 30, 2016

Manager Folding handed out the latest financial reports ending June 30th. Everything looked good except we had a small unforeseen maintenance with the substation, account 5920. Folding said we are doing a complete set of drawings for the substation so everyone in the future will be on the same page. Folding hasn't raised the rates, but will be doing so for the October billing by a half a cent.

Manager Folding handed out the capital budget ending June 30th. Robert Snow asked about account number 3680 Line Transformers. Folding stated it was an overage because of the reconductoring of Wethersfield St. With the exception of that, everything else looked good.

RMLP Billing Cycle

Robert Snow brought up the question of maybe changing the billing cycle and tries to coincide with the water department. G. Robert Merry along with Manager Folding talked about the process and thought because it has been working for twenty-five plus years, it should remain the same.

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Robert Snow made the motion to adjourn. Kenneth Keyes seconded. All voted in favor in favor at 7:29 PM.

Minutes submitted by Eric R. Grover

G. Robert Merry, Chair

Kenneth Keyes, Clerk

Robert Snow, Member