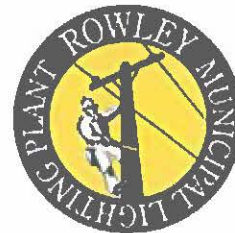


# Rowley Municipal Lighting Plant



September 13, 2023, Commissioner's Meeting

6:00 PM – Remote Go to Meeting

Commissioners Present: Bryan DiPersia, Mark Cousins, Danby Whitmore. Also, in attendance was General Manager Matthew Brown, Office Manager Eric Grover

See attendance sheet for the public sign-in.

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Mark Cousins opened the meeting at 6:09 PM.

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## **Citizen Query**

There wasn't anyone participating in citizen's query.

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## **Review and Accept Previous Minutes**

After reading the minutes from the previous meeting sessions, June 14th and August 16th provided, the corrections made by the board were previously edited prior to the meeting.

*Bryan DiPersia made the motion to accept the regular minutes for June 14,2023 and August 16,2023 with the corrections made. Danby Whitmore seconded the motion. Roll call vote was taken. Mark Cousins, "I," Bryan DiPersia, "I" and Danby Whitmore "I." Voted in at 6:12.*

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## **Battery Storage Project Update**

Manger Matt Brown said the agreement is in the hands of the legal team and he should be hearing back from them in the next few days. Commissioner Mark Cousins asked if there was any information on the batteries used for the project along with the financial proforma information? Right now, all that information is being worked out and Brown will pass it along to the board when he finds out.

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## **Managers Update**

**MLP Solar Update:** There are four potential solar customers who have applied for service. There are 33 total systems now with one application being reviewed.

**RMLP Energy Challenge:** The energy challenge has been live on our website, a flyer was put into the August bills, and we do reminder posts on our Facebook Page. We are doing monthly updates to the information and keep everything current for our ratepayers.

**Town Fiber Project:** RMLP has signed a pole attachment agreement with the Town of Rowley and the work for this project has been completed. The town's fiber installer is scheduled to perform the work sometime in October to link the town hall, highway, and annex building together.

**RMLP Customer Survey Initial Discussion:** Great Blue Research has been the go-to for customer surveys. Last months meeting Commissioner Mark Cousins asked if we could maybe set up a meeting with them to see what they have to offer. The board also felt the cost of this company was on the higher side and was wondering if there was anyone else out there to fill our needs. Brown will investigate any other sources for this task.

**Winter Prep:** This Summer we have been patrolling the circuits looking for overgrowth and what may need to be trimmed out, as well as identifying and removing hazardous trees. It has been so rainy; we have had excessive growth this year. The four feeders we have in town are overall in good shape. It was previously trimmed in quadrants, but we are transitioning to doing the trim cycle by feeder. The only real change to this method will be the cost will be different per year depending on feeder size. We are on top of stock and materials, as supply chain issues are still causing delays which makes planning difficult. Most recently we received a load of poles. Last week the generator company was out to perform routine maintenance on the generator to the building in the event we should need it.

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***All Other Items Not Anticipated by The Chair***

Manager Matt Brown just wanted to mention there was a MEAM meeting scheduled for September 20<sup>th</sup> in Littleton at the NEPPA headquarters. There should be a 2024 schedule for the year coming out shortly which will be passed onto the commissioners.

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***Executive Session under GLC 30A, Section 21 a Strategy for Negotiations with Non-Union Personal***

There was no reason to go into executive session for this meeting.

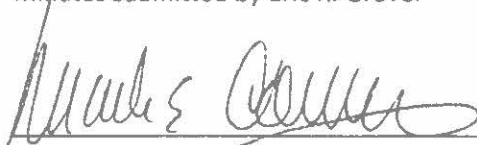
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***Adjournment***

*Danby Whitmore made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Bryan DiPersia seconded. All voted in favor at 6:40 PM with a roll call vote with everyone saying yes.*

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Minutes submitted by Eric R. Grover

  
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Mark Cousins, Chair

  
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Danby Whitmore, Clerk

  
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Bryan DiPersia, Member