

Groveland Municipal Light Department
Minutes of Meeting
October 10, 2023

Present: S. LaBelle(SL), M. Cloutier (MC), K. Snow (KS) & M. Croteau(MCC)

Time Started: 3:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was performed by all present.

Citizen query opened at 3:30 p.m. and closed at 3:45 p.m. No attendance at this meeting.

Approval of the Agenda:

- Motion to approve by MC.
- 2nd by SL.
- All in Favor.

Approval of Warrants: (24-09), (24-12) & (24-11).

- Motion to approve by MC.
- 2nd by SL.
- All in Favor.

Approval of Minutes of September 12, 2023.

- Motion to approve by MC.
- 2nd by SL.
- All in Favor.

August 2023 Financials:

- Per KS: August was overall a good month. Operating cash dropped to \$130k. We had three warrants paid for during the month plus a yearly payment of \$215,000.00 for Essex Count Retirement System. Though interest income was negative \$48,000.00, our net income for the month was a little over \$82,000.00. Net income for the year is \$178,000.00.

Collections:

- 1) The trial balance was up \$9,797.06 August 2023 to September 31, 2023.
- 2) Since the beginning of October, the department has collected \$51,935.32 in arrears.
- 3) MCC informed the Commissioners that usage was still up due to the heat and humidity. She is looking forward to seeing the usage go down.
- 4) Our department has one customer that may have lien placed in November.

Discussion on shut off policy:

- KS would like the policy to change going into next year. He wants to discuss it in full after SD gets back. Basically, would like to change the policy to no afterhours turn on. One change would be that shut off day an office staff and the on-call person would stay until 6:00 p.m.. After the office closes : turn on's until 7:30 a.m. I want to make the change because the current after hour turn on policy doesn't cover the cost of rolling a truck.
- A discussion ensued and this subject will be revisited next month when SD is back.

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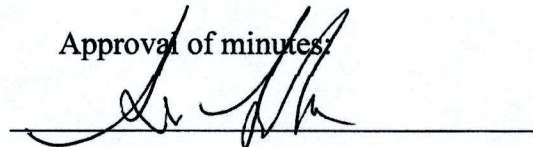
Manager's Report and Ongoing Projects:

- KS is working with with Scott Edwards of GML to close our 2024 open position to 90-91% hedged. We will be discussing prices given by NextEra.
- Unit H has had power disconnected today for wall panel replacement.
- MC asked if the heat was left on because of the sprinkler system.
- KS replied yes and the garage still has old doors on.
- Light Up Navajo V , a project in the four corners area of the US that extends powerlines to residents of the Navajo Nation was discussed. It is something our crew would like to participate in. It was originally a volunteer effort but now crews are getting paid.
- SL likes the idea of helping. He was thinking about doing this himself. His thought would be to get paid your regular rate of pay and regular overtime rate. The only thing he is worried about is the insurance part of it. He is worried about getting hurt while he is down there.
- A discussion ensued and MC mentioned that a separate insurance policy could be purchased but at what cost?
- KS will investigate the cost of separate insurance.
- KS informed the Commissioners that he is underway in discussion for wage with the staff and will be getting together with all of them again this month.
- KS after testing 13Kv North Substation Transformers UPG has recommended replacing the bushings and having the oil filtered. UPG is currently in contact with Cooper seeking replacement bushings.
- Battery Storage per KS down the substation has been a continuing discussion with Citizens Energy with nothing major to report. The hardest part to-date was finding the deed.

Next month's commissioners meeting will be the following month November 14, 2023 at 3:30 p.m.

- Motion to adjourn the meeting by MC at 5:00 p.m.
- 2nd by SL.
- All in favor.

Approval of minutes:



Date:

