

Ashburnham Municipal Light Board
Wednesday, May 19, 2021
99 Central Street, Public Safety Training Room
Ashburnham, MA 01430

Meeting Minutes

Commissioners: Mark Carlisle, Chairman
Richard Ahlin, Vice Chairman
Stephen Hogan, Secretary

AMLP General Manager: Kevin Sullivan
Other Attendees: Brooke Czasnowski

Carlisle called the meeting to order at 9:05 am with a roll call vote. Hogan present, Ahlin present, Carlisle present.

Carlisle announced all Board meetings are subject to audio and video recording.

Hogan made a motion to accept the agenda as written. Ahlin seconded. All in favor. Hogan aye, Ahlin aye, Carlisle aye.

Ahlin made a motion to approve the April 21, 2021, open session meeting minutes. Hogan seconded. All in favor. Ahlin aye, Hogan aye, Carlisle aye.

General Manager Items:

Metal Roof Sealcoating Project: Sullivan discussed the Metal Roof Sealcoating Project bid opening results. He stated that four bids were received, and the lowest bidder was Silktown Roofing with a bid of \$41,000. The bid provides a 20-year roof warranty with a 1-year contractor warranty. The contractor warranty can be extended for \$1500/year. Sullivan did his due diligence on the low bidder and received great reviews.

Ahlin made a motion to accept the bid from Silktown Roofing for \$42,500 which includes extending the contractor warranty to 2-years. Hogan seconded. All in favor. Ahlin aye, Hogan aye, Carlisle aye.

Strategic Direction & Position Discussion: Sullivan discussed the AMLP Strategic Direction and Position 2021 document. He explained that this is a high-level document that will continuously evolve. The Board believes it is important to have this strategic framework in place and would like to have a mission statement that coincides with the AMLP's strategic direction.

AMLP's Power Portfolio and Getting to 2050: Currently the AMLP has 37% non-carbon emitting energy resources. Under "An Act Creating a Next Generation Roadmap for Massachusetts Climate Policy" Massachusetts Municipal Light Plants

will be mandated to have 50% non-carbon emitting energy resources by 2030, and 100% non-carbon emitting energy resources by 2050.

The reconstitution of load issue continues to move forward and is being presented to the NEPOOL Participants Committee. Depending on the outcome of their decision the next step will be to get the FERC's ruling. Sullivan stated that it does look promising, but it is taking a long time. After the decision has been finalized, if favorable, the AMLP will be able to start looking into another battery storage unit.

Sullivan stated that he has been involved in discussions with MMWEC regarding increasing the use of renewable energy sources and batteries to replace natural gas. Nuclear generation was also discussed as part of the AMLP's non-carbon emitting energy resources.

The next meeting for the Board was scheduled for June 16, 2021, at 9:00 am.

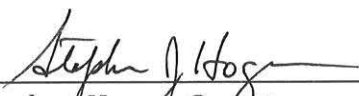
Hogan made a motion to enter executive session under M.G.L. Chapter 30A: Section 21(a) and the following clauses:

10. To discuss trade secrets or confidential, competitively sensitive or other proprietary information provided in the course of activities conducted by a governmental body as an energy supplier.

Ahlin seconded. Vote was taken at 9:42 am. All in favor. Hogan aye, Ahlin aye, Carlisle aye.

Ahlin made a motion to exit executive session and return to open session only to adjourn. Hogan seconded. Vote was taken at 10:36 am. All in favor. Ahlin aye, Hogan aye, Carlisle aye.

Ahlin made a motion to adjourn the open session meeting at 10:36 am. Hogan seconded. All in favor. Ahlin aye, Hogan aye, Carlisle aye.



Stephen Hogan, Secretary