

ASHLAND BOARD OF ELECTRIC COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

October 14, 2014
6 Collins Street
ASHLAND, NH
7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Kendall L. Hughes and Daniel Vaughn
Bobbi Hoerter - Excused

OTHERS PRESENT: Lee Nichols, Linda Pack, Normand DeWolfe, Janessa Terry, Emily Samson and Sandra Coleman

CALL TO ORDER: Kendall called the Meeting of the Ashland Electric Commission to order at 7:00 P.M.

MINUTES: The minutes of September 23, 2014 were tabled until the next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS: Kendall L. Hughes welcomed two Civics Students from Plymouth Regional High School Ms. Janessa Terry and Ms. Emily Samson.

Lee advised the Board that the money has been received from the Public Utilities Commission for Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative. The money will be applied to the customer accounts in the next billing cycle for November 1, 2014.

Lee presented the Electric Budget Figures to the Budget Committee at their last meeting and Lee stated he feels they will not have to be adjusted and will be on the Ballot.

The report on the recent Dam Inspection by F.E.R.C showed no major problems. The only suggestion was to keep the foliage clear and trimmed around the Dam. They also suggested the Department contact the State to give notice that the Electric Department will be giving up their Exemption on the Dam. Lee suggested setting up an appointment with Bill Gallagher when he and the Commissioners can

attend a meeting to have the State take over the Dam. A letter to that effect will need to be sent to F.E.R.C. by December 31, 2014.

Freudenberg is all set and Lee is waiting for them to get everything on their end done. Lee advised the Commissioners that this now brings us to 37 - 3 Phase Customers on our lines.

NEW BUSINESS:

Lee received a call from Northeast Utilities to advise him that they grossly underestimated the Transmission Recovery charges by approximately 6 Million Dollars and our portion would be around \$20,000.00 Dollars. Lee asked the Commissioners to sign a purchase order for \$7500.00 Dollars for this month's bill. By paying more each month it is hoped we will avoid heavy interest charges.

Lee did a rate comparison with 4 other Utility Companies. Public Service of New Hampshire, New Hampshire Electric Co-Op, Liberty Electric and Unutil. Ashland Electric Department rates are lower than all four of the other companies. This rate comparison will be available at the Utility Office should anyone wish to see them.

Various questions were asked by the two students from Plymouth Regional High School regarding the different subjects on this evening's agenda. We hope they were all answered to their satisfaction and we thank you for your interest.

Payroll & Accounts Payable Manifest Signed.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION: None

ADJOURNMENT: Dan a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:00 PM. Kendall seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous

Respectfully submitted

Linda A. Pack
Ashland Electric Department