

**TRAVERSE CITY
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD**

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Held at 5:15 p.m., Commission Chambers, Governmental Center
Tuesday, February 9, 2010

BOARD MEMBERS -

Present: Linda Johnson, Mike Coco, James Hoogesteger, John Snodgrass, Ralph Soffredine, Jim Carruthers

Absent: John Welch

EX OFFICIO MEMBER -

Present: R. Ben Bifoss

OTHERS: Ed Rice, Tim Arends, Jessica Dezelski, Mark Rollenhagen, Doug Zufelt, Karen Feahr, W. Peter Doren

The meeting was called to order at 5:15 p.m. by Chairperson Johnson.

Chairperson Johnson requested that item 5.B.(1) be removed from the agenda and put on the agenda of an upcoming meeting.

Moved by Hoogesteger, seconded by Snodgrass, that item 5.B.(1) be removed from the agenda.

CARRIED unanimously. (Welch absent)

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

Moved by Soffredine, seconded by Snodgrass, that the following items, as recommended on the Consent Calendar portion of the agenda, be approved:

- A. Consideration of approving minutes of the Special Meeting of January 18, 2010.
- B. Consideration of approving minutes of the Study Session of January 21, 2010.
- C. Consideration of approving minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 26, 2010.
- D. Consideration of approving minutes of the Closed Session of January 26, 2010.

CARRIED unanimously. (Welch absent)

3. OLD BUSINESS

- A. Tino Breithaupt and Kevin Jackson from the Traverse Bay Economic Development Corporation made a presentation to the Board.

4. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Moved by Soffredine, seconded by Snodgrass, to exempt from disclosure a document containing pricing information and which is otherwise exempt under MCLA 460.10y(12) and to go into Closed Session to consider such document immediately after Public Comment.

Roll Call:

Yes: Johnson, Coco, Hoogesteger, Snodgrass, Soffredine, Carruthers

No: None

CARRIED. (Welch absent)

- B. Rob Franzo from Mitten Communications, Inc. and Jim Selby from Aspen Wireless made a presentation to the Board regarding Fiber Network IP Enhancement.

Public Comment:

-Bryan Crough, Community Development Director

-Tino Breithaupt, Traverse Bay Economic Development Corporation

Moved by Coco, seconded by Soffredine, that the Light & Power Board authorizes the Executive Director to enter into an agreement with Aspen Wireless Technologies and Mitten Communications, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$40,000 for Phase I IP Enhancement Services to include development of an application for Federal funding and development of a Comprehensive Business Plan for future consideration by the Board, subject to approval as to form by counsel.

CARRIED unanimously. (Welch absent)

5. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

- B. (1) Removed from the agenda.
(2) Mark Rollenhagen provided an update on the wind turbine repair.
(3) Ed Rice spoke re: upcoming TCL&P Strategic Planning session on February 11.
(4) Ed Rice spoke re: upcoming Joint Study Session with the City Commission on February 22.
(5) Ed Rice spoke re: upcoming public forums on February 25 at 7:00 p.m. at the Opera House, February 27 at 2:00 p.m. at the Hagerty Center and April 7 at 7:00 p.m. at the Hagerty Center.
- C. (1) Commissioner Carruthers spoke re: NMEAC Public Forum on February 22.


6. PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public commented.

The Board went into Closed Session at 7:01 p.m.

The Board came out of Closed Session at 7:24 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.



Edward E. Rice, Secretary
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD