

**TRAVERSE CITY  
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD**

Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Held at 5:15 p.m., Commission Chambers, Governmental Center  
Tuesday, April 27, 2010

**BOARD MEMBERS -**

Present: Linda Johnson, John Welch, James Hoogesteger, John Snodgrass, Ralph Soffredine

Absent: Mike Coco, Jim Carruthers

**EX OFFICIO MEMBER -**

Present: R. Ben Bifoss

**OTHERS:** Ed Rice, Tim Arends, Jessica Dezelski, Jim Cooper

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

Chairperson Johnson added a staff report on the Annual Seedling Giveaway under Reports and Communications 5.B.

**2. CONSENT CALENDAR**

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

- A. Consideration of approving minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 13, 2010.
- B. Consideration of approving minutes of the Special Meeting of April 20, 2010.

CARRIED unanimously. (Coco, Carruthers absent)

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Moved by Soffredine, seconded by Hoogesteger, that the Light and Power Board support Northwestern Michigan College to fund design and install real-time web-interactive data monitoring and analysis technology with existing solar power and wind systems in the amount of \$7,000.

CARRIED unanimously. (Coco, Carruthers absent)

Moved by Soffredine, seconded by Welch, that the Light and Power Board support the Great Lakes Childrens Museum to fund an exhibit cart with hands-on demonstrations on magnetism, electricity, power generation, renewable energy and safety in the amount of \$15,000.

CARRIED unanimously. (Coco, Carruthers absent)

Moved by Welch, seconded by Soffredine, that the Light and Power Board support the Grandview Parkway Beautification Fund to fund the remaining cost of irrigation from Division Street west to M-72, including the median in the amount of \$5,500.

CARRIED unanimously. (Coco, Carruthers absent)

Moved by Welch, seconded by Soffredine, that the Light and Power Board support the Inland Seas Education Association to enable local schools to take part in the Great Lakes Schoolship Program in the amount of \$10,000.

CARRIED unanimously. (Coco, Carruthers absent)

Moved by Soffredine, seconded by Hoogesteger, that the Light and Power Board support the Goodwill Inn's purchase of temperature control software in the amount of \$4,735.

CARRIED unanimously. (Coco, Carruthers absent)

**5. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

- B. (1) Jessica Dezelski provided an update on the Annual Seedling Giveaway.
- C. (1) John Welch spoke regarding biomass.  
(2) Ralph Soffredine spoke regarding biomass.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

-Tom Karas, 8801 Section Line Road, Michigan Energy Alternatives Project

The meeting adjourned at 5:31 p.m.



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Edward E. Rice, Secretary  
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD

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