

**TRAVERSE CITY
LIGHT AND POWER BOARD**

Minutes of the Sustainability Ad Hoc Committee Meeting
Held at 9:00 p.m., 1131 Hastings Street
Monday, June 5, 2023

Board Members Present: Paul Heiberger - Ad Hoc Chair, Maura Brennan - Board Member, John Taylor- Board Member (Virtual)

Staff Present: Brandie Ekren - Executive Director, Karla Myers-Beman - Chief Financial Officer, Tony Chartrand - Supervisory Engineer, Jacob Hardy- Sustainability and Key Accts. Mgr.

Others: Consultant/Contractor: Douglas Jester, 5 Lakes Energy

1. TCLP Rebates

- Updates: Changes for 2023 calendar year rebates, which involved a comparison between 2022 and 2023. Increases made based on informal consultation with Climate Action Plan consultants.
- Further discussed approach for the value/amount for rebates moving forward that will be incorporated into Climate Action Plan report. The report will reflect an avoided social cost approach that includes more than traditional energy savings. These recommendations will also be based on TCLP's current grid power utilization.
- Additional feedback includes modeling the societal cost impacts of a hybrid use of fossil fuel heating, which is common in the region.

2. Energy Portfolio

- Update: Walked through IRP modeling results and detail captured.
- Discussed:
 - Timelines for TCLP's current coal and natural gas investments that impact TCLP's energy portfolio goals.
 - Maintaining the "by or before 2040 100% renewable goal" with an opportunity to continue to evaluate in coming years.
 - Setting a decarbonization strategy goal that is in alignment with the "by or before 2040" goal to measure the climate impact of TCLP's energy portfolio investments.

3. TCLP Operations (beyond energy portfolio investment)

- Discussed future planning for the establishment of decarbonization goal for TCLP facilities and operations. Possible targets for future consideration include a net zero operation by 2030 and carbon free operation by a date to be determined. The largest hurdle to carbon free operations is driven by market availability to support carbon free utility fleet.

4. City Green Team

- Discussed future opportunity to integrate City Green Team topics/activities into Sustainability Ad Hoc Committee to provide insight and be a resource for the Executive Director.
- Current topics of discussion include construction standards for City Operations.

4. **Public Comment**

No one from the Public addressed the Committee.

There being no objection, Chairperson Heiberger adjourned the meeting at 11:06 am.

Paul Heiberger

Paul Heiberger, Ad Hoc Chairperson
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