

Block Island Utility District
Tuesday June 25, 2019
Town Hall
4:00 PM

Present: Commissioners Mary Jane Balser, Barbara MacMullan, William Penn, Everett Shorey, Jeff Wright, President of BIPCo, Renee Meyers, Block Island Times, Bonnie Biocchi, Northeast Public Power Association. **Absent:** Jack Savoie

Meeting was called to order at 4:05 PM

1. Public Input

- Bonnie Biocchi said welcome to public power.

2. Commissioners' Report

- Barbara MacMullan provided the Commissioner's Report
 - i. Discuss and Act on Hiring Clerk/Assistant to the Board
 - Barbara MacMullan moved to offer the position to Christine Grele at \$20 per hour, seconded by Mary Jane Balser Ayes 4 (Balser, MacMullan, Penn, Shorey) Absent: Savoie
 - ii. Discuss and Act on Board Policy Development
 - Assign preparing policy drafts to Christine Grele

3. Approve Minutes of June 12, 2019 and May 14, 2019

- William Penn moved to approve the minutes, seconded by MacMullan Ayes 4 (Balser, MacMullan, Penn, Shorey) Absent: Savoie

4. Receive and Act on Treasurer's Report

- April and May Financials – need to update and work on presentation of P&L
- Draft Financial Policy, Barbara MacMullan moved to accept the policies as edited, seconded by Penn. Ayes 4 (Balser, MacMullan, Penn, Shorey) Absent: Savoie
- Bill Penn asked for the final draft to be made available to the members and advertised as such.

5. Review and Act on President's Report

- Jeff Wright presented his President's Report and responded to questions

6. Discuss and Act on Rate Case

- Jeff Wright to provide rate filing materials as they are developed for submission by late July
- William Penn moved to delegate to Everett Shorey and Barbara MacMullan to review the rate case filing to approve it on the behalf of the Commission. Seconded by Balser. Ayes 4 (Balser, MacMullan, Penn, Shorey), Absent: Savoie

7. Discuss and Act on Peak Shaving Proposal

- Barbara MacMullan moved to add a referendum question on peak shaving to the election ballot. Shorey seconded. Ayes 4 (Balser, MacMullan, Penn, Shorey), Absent: Savoie

8. Discuss and Act on President's Performance Review and Salary

- Everett Shorey moved to have Barbara MacMullan collect Jeff Wright's job description, solicit feedback on his performance, review performance with Jeff Wright and recommend a salary adjustment to the Commission. MacMullan seconded. Ayes 4 (Balser, MacMullan, Penn, Shorey), Absent: Savoie

9. Discuss and Act on Election Schedule

- Jeff Wright presented a proposed bill stuffer and is planning to place an ad in the BI Times.
- Barbara McMullan to check with counsel on definition of residency for the purpose of determining eligibility of Commissioner candidates.

10. Hull Suburban Propane Lease Update

- Jeff Wright to continue study

11. Discuss and Act on Litigation*

- Barbara MacMullan moved to go into closed session per RIGL 42-46-5(2) (litigation Sara McGinnis, Seconded by Shorey, Ayes 4 (Balsler, Penn, MacMullan, Shorey), Nays 0, Absent: Savoie

*This item may be held in Closed Session pursuant to RIGL 42-46-45(2) (litigation: Sara McGinnis v. Town of New Shoreham)

William Penn moved to adjourn at 6:55PM, seconded by Shorey, Ayes 3 (MacMullan, Penn, Shorey), Absent Savoie, Nays 0

Approved July 31, 2019