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## ASHLAND BOARD OF ELECTRIC COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday  
June 26, 2018  
6 Collins Street  
ASHLAND, NH  
6:30 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Sandra Coleman, Glenn Dion & Jamie Lyford

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Steve Foley, Linda Pack and Dale Weeks

**CALL TO ORDER:** Sandra Coleman opened the meeting at 6:31 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

**MINUTES:** Jamie made a motion to approve the Minutes of May 22, 2018 as presented. Glenn seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Glenn made a motion to approve the Minutes of June 12, 2018 as presented. Sandra seconded the motion. Glenn - yes, Sandra - yes and Jamie - abstained. Motion passed.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Steve stated the truck repairs will cost an extra \$370.00 for some unexpected work that was necessary. The truck should be ready to be picked up on Friday of this week.

Steve has not received any quotes back yet for the AMI metering but will report on this as soon as he does. He also spoke to Charlie regarding the meeting about Payroll, and Charlie would like to coordinate it with Wendy. Linda advised that she would be on vacation next week but would like everyone to get together if possible when she returns.

Discussion regarding the Power Outage on Father's Day and the line lost at the Substation that directly affects a customer. This problem will require the purchase of a new transformer and the cost for a refurbished one is approximately \$6700.00 Steve has two other quotes coming in and the customer will wait to see if either of those



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will be cheaper before making a decision. Steve advised him that he could pay for the transformer and have it shipped to us or he can pay us directly. He will be billed for time, material and trucks with a 50% deposit.

FEMA was here last week and they cleared up some questions and have given Steve and Linda some direction on information needed. Steve will have another meeting on Thursday with them.

#### **NEW BUSINESS:**

Steve advised that Eversource will be raising their rates to their customers and he felt we should also look into raising ours slightly. Several options were discussed and the Board decided to hold a Public Hearing. The Public Hearing will be held on July 10, 2018 starting at 6:00 PM with the Electric Commissioners Meeting to follow.

Lengthy discussion regarding Budget Figures, Expenses and Revenues on the Draft Annual Financial Statements for the year ended December 31, 2017. Glenn would like to have the Accountant in to look at this and he has several questions regarding Power Purchases.

#### **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:**

Steve discussed the recent power outages on Thompson Street, the Substation and Owl Brook Rd. Linda needs to contact John Clayton to install a new line for a phone that will work during power outages. Jamie had a complaint about the Answering Service taking so long before anyone picked up. He felt this should be looked into. Sandra will look into the answering service used by several area associations and let us know who they use.



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Payroll and Accounts Payable signed.

**NON-PUBLIC SESSION:** Sandra Coleman made a motion to go into Non-Public Session at 8:30 PM pursuant to RSA 91-A:3, II(a), to consider the compensation of Town Employees. Motion seconded by Glenn Dion. Vote: Sandra - yes, Glenn - yes and Jamie - yes.

Sandra made a motion to come out of Non-Public Session at 8:53 PM. Glenn seconded the motion. Sandra - yes, Glenn - yes and Jamie - yes.

Sandra made a motion to seal the minutes of the Non-Public Session. Jamie seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

**ADJOURNMENT:** Sandra made a motion to adjourn at 8:55 PM. Glenn seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted

Linda A. Pack  
Ashland Electric Department