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## ASHLAND BOARD OF ELECTRIC COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

June 23, 2015 6 Collins Street ASHLAND, NH 7:00 P.M.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** 

Daniel Vaughn, Kendall L. Hughes & Sandra Coleman

**OTHERS PRESENT:** 

Lee Nichols, Linda Pack & Normand DeWolfe (BOS Representative)

**CALL TO ORDER:** 

Kendall L. Hughes called the Meeting of the Ashland Electric

Commission to order at 7:05 P.M.

**MINUTES:** 

Sandra made a motion to approve the Minutes of June 9, 2015 as

presented. Dan seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

**OLD BUSINESS:** 

The Sub-Station Recloser is now operational however, a Bushing on another Transformer needs to be replaced. Lee wants testing on the Transformer to be done by S.D. Meyers and then switch them over.

The revised estimate from CUES has been received the amount is \$4,128.00 and Lee will make out a Purchase Order. Kendall would like to look into another company to do the repairs on the trucks. Discussion ensued regarding repairs not done and checking into another company to work on Electric Dept. Trucks.

Kendall advised the outcome of the Water & Sewer Meeting he and Dan attended last week. They were told by the Water & Sewer Commissioners that the Water Meters at the Leavitt Hill Project will be attached to the homes and not down where the Electric Meters are located. He also stated that because of this the Electric Department will not be able to read those water meters.

**NEW BUSINESS:** 

Discussion regarding the very slow mail delivery for several bills and late fees being charged to the Electric Department. Eversource claimed they did not receive our latest payment for close to a month late and U.S. Cellular check was mailed on June 4, 2015 and they still have not received payment as of today June 23, 2015. Linda advised she had a discussion with the Treasurer and it was decided these bills could be paid online or ACH Transfers.

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Discussion ensued regarding the possibility of saving the Town some money on the Uniform Rental for the Town Mechanic. Dan made a motion to add uniforms for the Town Mechanic to the Electric Department Account and bill the town once a year. Sandra seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous. During discussion it was felt that further pricing should be done to make sure his uniforms would not be more expensive due to the fact that he might use different chemicals during his workday. Lee will check on this with the company and get back to the board.

Lee requested a consensus of the Board to bring in a Crane & Crew from Top Notch Tree Service to remove a partially dead tree at 14 Thompson Street. The Electric Commissioners agreed.

Lee advised the Commissioners that Tim Paquette approached him about contributing to a new sign to replace the current sign for the Utilities, Highway & Recycling at the corner of Collins and Rte 132. Kendall felt we could contribute but he would like the sign moved to a better, more noticeable spot. Dan and Sandra agreed.

Payroll & Accounts Payable Manifest Signed.

## **NON-PUBLIC SESSION:**

Kendall made a motion to go into Non-Public Session at 8:35 P.M. according to 91-A:3II(e) Consideration or negotiation of pending claims or litigation. Dan seconded the motion. Vote: Kendall - yes, Dan - yes and Sandra - yes.

Sandra made a motion to come out of Non-Public Session at 9:20 P.M. Dan seconded the motion. Sandra - yes, Dan - yes & Kendall - yes.

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

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NON-PUBLIC SESSION: Sandra made a motion to go into Non-Public Session at 9:25 P.M. according to 91-A3II(d) Consideration of the acquisition, sale, or lease of real or personal property. Dan seconded the motion. Sandra - yes, Dan - yes & Kendall - yes.

> Dan made a motion to come out of Non-Public Session at 9:45 P.M. Sandra seconded the motion. Dan - yes, Sandra - yes & Kendall - yes.

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

**OTHER BUSINESS:** 

None

**ADJOURNMENT:** 

Sandra Coleman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 PM.

Dan Vaughn seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted

Linda A. Pack

**Ashland Electric Department**