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ASHLAND BOARD OF ELECTRIC COMMISSIONERS MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday June 27, 2017 6 Collins Street ASHLAND, NH 6:30 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Sandra Coleman and Jamie Lyford

David Fucarile - Excused

OTHERS PRESENT:

Lee Nichols, Linda Pack & Tejasinha Sivalingam

CALL TO ORDER:

Sandra Coleman called the meeting to order at 6:38 P.M.

Pledge of Allegiance

MINUTES:

None approved

OLD BUSINESS:

Lee Nichols advised the Commissioners that the cost to seal the floor of the new building was quoted between \$15,000. to \$25,000. Lee suggested that he felt our cost would be around \$17,000. due to the fact we should not have to put a primer on first.

The subject of the rate increase from the previous meeting was brought up by Lee and he is requesting to reverse the vote to increase rates. Jamie wanted to know if there would be enough money to send one of the Linemen to school and get an Assistant Superintendent without a rate increase. Lee explained how the Capital Reserve expenses had an impact on the budget and how it is starting to be resolved. Due to this fact Jamie Lyford and Sandra Coleman decided to rescind their motion and second from the previous meetings vote to increase the rates by one penny. Jamie asked when the Linemen need to sign up in order to attend school. Lee stated they could join NEPPA at any time and the price of the training would be cheaper.

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion regarding a rental truck from Altec will be here sometime after the 4th of July and the rent will be \$2600.00 per month. Also a new 10 year lease truck has been ordered to replace the rental truck approximately \$2500. to \$3000. per month for the lease. The lease

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has not been finalized yet. Lee has contacted Primex for a Certificate of Insurance.

It was the consensus of the Board to have Karen start training with Lee on his paperwork on July 1, 2017.

The Electric Commissioners wanted to know what the steps would be if there was an emergency and Lee was not available. Lee has a Mutual Aid Agreement with Eversource to cover Ashland Electric Department in case of an emergency. He is also working on an updated contact list that he will pass out as soon as it is finished.

Jamie asked Lee about the Orange Bucket Truck. He stated it would not start at all and needs to be moved out as soon as the rental truck is here. Jamie wants to call Steen Gilpatric to see what he might give for the truck.

Tejasinha advised the Board that he would be the new liaison to the Electric Department and said we can call on him if we should need anything.

Jamie Lyford made a motion to give the Electric Department Employees July 3rd off with pay. The motion was seconded by Sandra Coleman. Vote: Jamie - yes & Sandra - yes. Motion carried.

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

None

Accounts Payable and Payroll signed by Commissioners.

NON-PUBLIC SESSION:

None

ADJOURNMENT:

Sandra Coleman made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:53 PM. Jamie Lyford seconded the motion. Vote was unanimous.

Respectfully submitted

Ashland Electric Department