

*Chicopee Municipal Lighting Board
Minutes of Meeting
Monday, July 22, 2019*

Commissioner Pasternak called a regular meeting of the Chicopee Municipal Lighting Board to order at 6:10 pm, Monday, July 22, 2019.

Present for this meeting were Commissioner Joseph F. Pasternak, III, Commissioner Robert L. Pajak and General Manager and Clerk of the Board Jeffrey R. Cady. Also present for a portion of the meeting were Howard Cheney and Christopher Marini from Meyers Brothers Kalicka, PC. Commissioner Carl E. Sittard asked to be excused.

Commissioner Pajak made a motion to accept the minutes of June 25, 2019 as presented. Commissioner Pasternak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 2 to 0.

Commissioner Pasternak made a motion to concur with the payment of **Warrant #E062819** dated 6/25/2019 in the amount of \$225,692.79; **Warrant #E062819** dated 6/24/2019 in the amount of \$1,882,186.60; **Warrant #E071219** dated 7/8/2019 in the amount of \$308,396.35; **Warrant #E071219** dated 7/3/2019 in the amount of \$195,947.71; **Warrant #E071919** dated 7/11/2019 in the amount of \$126,033.47 and **Warrant #E071919** dated 7/15/2019 in the amount of \$1,512,063.78 Commissioner Pajak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 2 to 0.

Commissioner Pajak made a motion to pay ***Bills & Customer Refunds*** in the amount of ***\$120,782.51***. Commissioner Pasternak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 2 to 0.

Commissioner Pajak made a motion to pay Power Bills in the amount of ***\$1,407,477.78***. Commissioner Pasternak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 2 to 0.

Commissioner Pasternak made a motion to pay ***Write-off Uncollectibles*** in the amount of ***\$68,282.73***. Commissioner Pajak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 2 to 0.

The General Manager discussed that because of many staff changes at CEL, a change needs to be made to allow for payroll signatures and for employees to pick up checks. The General Manager recommended that the Commission vote to approve the authorized payroll signature/check pick-up document. Commissioner Pajak made a motion to approve the authorized payroll signature/checks pick-up document. Commissioner Pajak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 2 to 0. *CEL Document: Authorized Signature Check pick-up Document*

The General Manager recommended that in order for CEL to continue to get competitive pricing for bilateral contracts this information should be considered confidential. If this information is released as part of a Public Records Request, power suppliers will not want to contract with CEL or MMWEC in the future. Commissioner Pajak made a motion that the

Chicopee Electric Light Commission determines that certain pricing and other information contained in power contracts and short term energy transactions entered into by Chicopee Municipal Lighting Plant with various third party supplies and the Massachusetts Municipal Wholesale Electric Company (MMWEC) should be treated as confidential information; and that the Municipal Light Board, pursuant to MGL c164, sec 47D, determines that pricing and confidential terms of such power contracts and short term energy transactions should be treated as trade secrets, confidential, competitively sensitive or other proprietary information the disclosure of which would adversely affect Chicopee Municipal Lighting Plant's ability to conduct business in relation to other entities making, selling, or distributing electric power and energy and that the General Manager is hereby authorized and directed to take whatever action he deems necessary or advisable to carry out the purposes of this vote. Commissioner Pasternak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 2 to 0

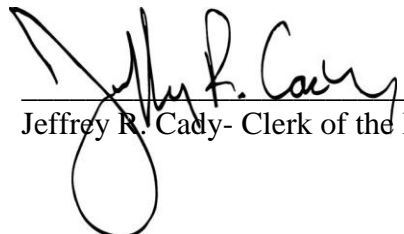
Howard Cheney and Christopher Marini from Meyers Brothers Kalicka, PC presented the annual financial audit to the Commissioners. They explained that they did not find any issues during the audit and that the process went smoothly. They discussed the financial results as depicted in the report. Commissioner Pasternak made a motion to accept the report. Commissioner Pajak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 2 to 0. *CEL Document: 2018 Audited Financials*

The General Manager gave an update on the high speed internet project. He explained that construction had started in the 1st neighborhood and should take approximately 2-3 weeks to complete. He also explained that a press release had gone out to announce it.

The General Manager notified the Commissioners that a Public Records request had been received by the Pipeline Awareness Network for a list of all Purchase Power Agreements. The General Manager explained that all the agreements were sent to the requestor.

The General Manager notified the Commissioners that the City of Chicopee and Elms College would like to put some cobranded banners on poles in the Elms College area. The city approved changes to the ordinance to allow it to happen. CEL will make final judgement on the size and what poles to allow the banners on.

Commissioner Pasternak made a motion to adjourn at 7:45 pm. Commissioner Pajak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 2 to 0.



Jeffrey R. Cady- Clerk of the Board

Approved: August 12, 2019