

*Chicopee Municipal Lighting Board  
Minutes of Meeting  
Monday, September 16, 2019*

Chairman Sittard called a regular meeting of the Chicopee Municipal Lighting Board to order at 6:00 pm, Monday, September 16, 2019.

Present for this meeting were Commissioner Joseph F. Pasternak, III, Commissioner Carl E. Sittard, Commissioner Robert L. Pajak and General Manager and Clerk of the Board Jeffrey R. Cady.

Commissioner Pajak made a motion to accept the minutes of August 12, 2019 as presented. Commissioner Pasternak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 3 to 0.

Commissioner Pasternak made a motion to concur with the payment of **Warrant #E082319** dated 8/19/2019 in the amount of \$1,687,813.61; **Warrant #E083019** dated 8/22/2019 in the amount of \$554,181.75; **Warrant #E090619** dated 8/29/2019 in the amount of \$172,360.78; **Warrant #E090619** dated 8/29/2019 in the amount of \$1,869,849.26; and **Warrant #E091319** dated 9/10/2019 in the amount of \$256,019.49. Commissioner Pajak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 3 to 0.

Commissioner Pasternak made a motion to pay **Bills & Customer Refunds** in the amount of **\$360,377.88**. Commissioner Pajak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 3 to 0.

Commissioner Pajak made a motion to pay **Power Bills** in the amount of **\$2,032,355.67**. Commissioner Pasternak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 3 to 0.

The General Manager discussed CEL's current estimated financials for the calendar year. Based on the current estimates he expects that CEL will be in a good position to once again offer a Holiday discount for November and December. He also anticipates that CEL should establish the rate stabilization charge for November and December. The Commissioners agreed that both of these approaches made sense.

The General Manager gave an overview of the high speed internet project. He discussed that CEL is currently signing up commercial customers for service and has a number of customers already receiving service. The residential pilot areas are being completed and the service offering to them has been delayed for a month or two until the work order software implementation is complete. CEL will initially install to a small number of preselected customers to test out the procedures. After completed, CEL will start offering service to customers in the pilot areas.

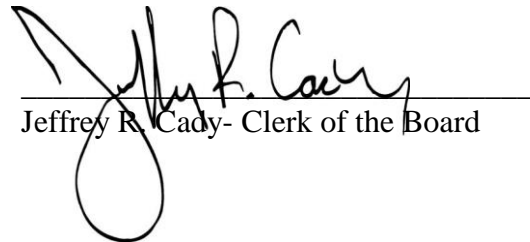
The General Manager gave an update on the Phase I Enabling Project for the 1895 Building renovations. He explained that the project was in the process of being bid and that we would have bids for the next meeting. He hopes to start on Phase I by the end of November.

The goal is to have Phase I completed by the beginning of Spring next year so that the renovations of the 1895 building can begin.

The General Manager provided an update on the AMI project. He explained that over 5,000 meters have been replaced to date. Based on the current progress we expect the project to be completed by the 1<sup>st</sup> half of 2021. We are currently using CEL meter staff to do the replacements. We are still having some issues with outage notification and working with Honeywell and Harris to address the issues. When complete our system will notify the outage management system automatically of any power outages.

The General Manager reviewed the July Financials with the Commissioners. Net Power Costs for the month were \$10,216.59 higher than budget. For the year they are \$1,506,933.72 less than budget. This is mostly due to lower energy costs than budgeted. Operating Revenues for the month were \$98,949.63 less than budget. This is due to the elimination of the rate stabilization credit and lower PPA than budgeted for the year. Year to Date Operating Revenues are \$372,598 less than budget. Net Income for the month was \$149,030.92 higher than budget and is \$4,131,721.55 higher than budget for the year. Just under \$2,000,000 of that is Net Unrealized gains on investments which are not budgeted. *CEL Document: July Financials*

Commissioner Sittard made a motion to adjourn at 6:40 pm. Commissioner Pasternak seconded the motion. Discussion: None; Motion was passed 3 to 0.

  
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Jeffrey R. Cady- Clerk of the Board

Approved: October 24, 2019