

Middleton Electric Light Commission

Meeting Minutes

October 16, 2024

The following individuals were in attendance:

Frank Twiss, Chairman  
Chuck Clinch  
Jim Carbone

Michael Cloutier, Manager

Chairman Twiss called the meeting to order at 5:25PM.

***Approval of Agenda:***

**Motion:**

**Chuck Clinch motioned to approve the agenda as written. Jim Carbone seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.**

***Financials:***

Our financials are still tracking well. Power supply costs have been steady and are in line from last year. We purchased almost 5% more kWh through August than we did last year. However, this seems to be more a function of weather rather than load growth, as the usage year over year was very similar until the summer months.

***MOU for Generator at Municipal Facilities Site:***

Justin Sultzbach has signed the memorandum of understanding to allow MELD to site the natural gas generator at the new municipal complex. The signed version is the same as the one that I shared with the Commission last month. I am seeking a vote to authorize me to sign on behalf of the Commission.

**Motion:**

**Chuck Clinch motioned to authorize Mr. Cloutier to sign the generator MOU with the Town on behalf of the MELD Commission. Jim Carbone seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0.**

***Manager's Report:***

We've had 4 outages since our last meeting. One was from vines growing into the primary on Forest St, one was due to loss of transmission from NGrid, one was an overloaded fuse, and one was from a squirrel off Liberty St. We will be meeting with Gienapp Architects next week to go over the latest plans for the bathroom and linemen's room renovations as well as a discussion of an additional building. They have presented two options for a building in our back parking lot, and we will finalize our choice as to size and location.

Jon Jones has been busy with truck repair for GML Utilities Coop. He also just returned from Florida where he was working in a support role for the Public Power mutual aid effort. We have received delivery of the first rubber goods testing machine. Pat will now begin the process of installing it and creating procedures for cleaning and testing rubber goods.

Next meeting: November 20, 2024

Jim Carbone motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 PM. Chuck Clinch seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully submitted,

James Carbone  
Clerk