



Borough of Lansdale
Electric Committee Minutes
Meeting of July 6, 2016

Members Present

Rich DiGregorio, Chairman
Leon Angelichio, Councilman
Carrie Hawkins Charlton, Councilwoman
Andrew Krauss, Electric Superintendent

Members Absent

- Minutes of the June 1, 2016 were approved by a vote of 3-0.
- Committee Business Items
 1. Prepare and Advertise Main Substation Capital Equipment*

Mr. Krauss stated as part of the borough's capital Improvement plan, two breakers and three voltage regulators will be next to go out to bid. Utility Engineers will prepare and the Borough will advertise bid specs for replacement at our main substation. These breakers are 30 years old and are in need of replacement. Mr. Krauss stated that \$180,000 is ear marked for this project.
 2. NMTCC PYAP Program

Mr. Krauss reported the electric department is looking into a co-op program with North Montco Technical Career Center. This will allow junior and senior students to work partial weeks with the borough's Electric Department apprenticeship program while attending school throughout the 2016-2017 school year.
 3. PMEA Legislators Meeting

Mr. Krauss reported that several members of the Borough staff and Council attended that PMEA legislators meeting in Harrisburg last month. With no impending detrimental legislation towards public utilities in PA, it was a good way to network with local legislators and get the good word out about municipal electric.
 4. PMEA Eastern PA behind the Meter Solar Project

Mr. Krauss reported AMP is partnering with the PMEA Eastern group to focus on behind the meter solar project to try to bring solar renewables to the eastern part of Pennsylvania. At this time Lansdale does not have the land to allocate any solar farms in our Borough but we may be able to benefit from some of the solar power purchasing being part of the Eastern group.
 5. Lansdale Electric Intern

Mr. Krauss reported Lansdale Electric has its first official electric intern student this summer. He is a student from Williamson Trade College studying in the power plant industry and will be performing a feasibility study on remote substation monitoring for the Borough of Lansdale's main substation.
 6. Decorative Street Light estimate for W. Main St.

The committee spoke on the possibility of installing decorative street lighting on West Main Street from Richardson Avenue to Valley Forge Road. Mr. Krauss presented the committee with a

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conservative estimate of \$600,000 for material and construction costs and stated that this will be a considerable project. The committee will reopen this discussion at a later date as we look for grant monies and other funding for this type of project.

7. Department Operations

Mr. Krauss reported that the department has been working on trimming trees and setting the new meters in the business district of town. They have also been doing some work for the parks and recreation department as well as renewal of older infrastructure.

- **Budget – Mr. Krauss reported that meetings between the department heads and the Borough Manager have begun to start working on the 2017 budget.**
- **Old Business – N/A**
- **New Business – N/A**
- **Public Comment – N/A**

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.