



Borough of Lansdale
Electric Committee Minutes
Meeting of October 5, 2016

Members Present

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

Members Absent

Leon Angelichio, Councilman

Attendees:

Norm Baron, Utility Engineers
Jim Havrilla, Utility Engineers

- Minutes from the September 7, 2016 Electric Committee meeting were approved by a vote of 2-0.
- Committee Business Items
 1. Main Substation Circuit Breakers Bid Results – Mr. Krauss reported that borough staff and Utility Engineers reviewed the bids that were received in September for the Main Substation Capital Equipment. The Borough and Utility Engineers have recommended awarding Section 1 to PEPCO for the 145,000 volt breaker in the amount of \$53,940, and recommend awarding Section 2 for the 34,500 volt breaker in the amount of \$28,184 and Section 3 for the 34,500 voltage regulators in the amount of \$77,673 to GENERY. We received a total of seven bidders for this project. The total amount for the material is \$159,797 and we had \$180,000 earmarked in capital for this project. The committee agreed to award Section 1 based on the bidder supplying Siemens equipment. The committee recommended putting forth a motion to award to full council at the October 19th meeting by a vote of 2-0.
 2. AMP “Behind the Meter” Solar Program Agreement - Jim Havrilla of Utility Engineers spoke about the AMP solar project and the benefits to the Borough for participating in this project. The solar project will add more renewable energy to the Boroughs portfolio and we will save roughly .77¢ per megawatt-hour on 5% of our purchase power costs and possibly more saving when renegotiating our next power contract. Councilwoman Charlton asked if there were any additional benefits and Mr. Havrilla said there not. The committee recommended to put forth a motion to enter into this agreement for full council approval at the October 19th business meeting by a vote of 2-0.
 3. LED Street Light Lease Agreement –Mr. Krauss discussed with the committee about entering into a lease agreement with Johnson Controls which will allow the Borough to move forward with the streetlight procurement program and PENNSEF financing. Mr. Krauss stated he will be attending a meeting with PENNSEF on October 12, 2016 in reference to bond borrowing. The committee recommended putting forth a motion to enter into the lease agreement for full council approval at the October 19th business meeting.
 4. Traffic Signal Maintenance Agreement Squirrel Lane & Main Street –Mr. Krauss reviewed a shared services agreement from Towamencin Township from back in 2008 in reference to the traffic signal at

Squirrel Lane and West Main Street. This is a standard ongoing agreement that needs signatures for Towamencin's file.

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5. Department Operations

a. Mr. Krauss reported the department is working on replacing rotten poles in several rear yards with a demo rear yard machine from Altec. The committee may look into purchasing this equipment in 2017.

b. Mr. Krauss reported we will take delivery of the new lion switchgear next week and will start the installation.

c. Mr. Krauss reported the electric work at the SEPTA garage is coming to a close.

d. Mr. Krauss reported the next set of homes in the Andale Green Development have been energized.

e. Mr. Krauss said we are looking into streamlining the delinquent electric payment notification process to make the process less labor-intensive. This change is being discussed within all departments involved in the current process.

f. Mr. Krauss reported the annual infrared imaging inspection was completed last week and that this yearly inspection helps to pinpoint hotspots for maintenance before the upcoming cold.

6. Budget – Mr. Krauss reported that the projected Revenues should be out sometime in the near future to get a look at the entire projected budget for 2017. Jim Havrilla from Utility Engineers reported the rate study should be completed within the next few weeks.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

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