



Borough of Lansdale  
Electric Committee Minutes  
Meeting of February 7, 2018

Members Present

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

Members Absent

- o Minutes from the December 6, 2017 committee meeting were approved by a vote of 3-0.
- o Committee Business Items
  1. DCED Solar Grant Application & Resolution – The state is offering a 50/50 match for renewable energy in the form of solar. The borough has applied for a 1.4-million-dollar project that encompasses Borough Hall and the Utilities Complex. This will have a positive cash flow to the borough of \$100,000 per year after completion. The committee recommended a resolution be put forth to full council for their approval at the 2/21 meeting.
  2. Prepare & Advertise Bid Specifications for Richardson Substation – As part of the Madison Redevelopment, the 5 MVA Richardson Substation needs to be upgraded to a 7.5 MVA unit. This capital project is estimated to cost \$550,000. The committee recommended to put forth a motion to full council for approval to prepare and advertise bid specification later this month.
  3. Fiber Optic Network Phase III Material Purchase - Moving the fiber optic ring to its final stage will take place this spring. We need to make a capital purchase of \$30,000 for materials to complete this project and this material will be purchased through the Costars Program. The committee recommended sending a motion to full council for their approval for this purchase.
  4. Fleet Purchases – We are excited to move the 2018 Fleet Management Program forward and will learn more about the benefits of this project during a presentation to full council in March. We currently plan to replace three vehicles: a Ford Escape for administration, a Ram 2500 and Altec aerial bucket truck for the Electric Department. All vehicles are being purchased through the Costars Program. The committee recommended forwarding the necessary motions to full council for their approval later this month.
  5. Economic Incentive Ordinance Revisions – The committee discussed adding two categories to the Economic Incentive Program to help smaller businesses qualify and take advantage of savings for investing in Lansdale. We hear more on this in Code Committee.

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- o Updates
  - a. Department Operations – The electric portion of demolition was completed for the Madison Redevelopment Project. All holiday decorations have been removed and we are currently working on multiple development projects around the borough.
  - b. Pole Attachment Agreement & Fee Schedule – A draft ordinance is now ready to be moved to the solicitor’s office for preparation to bring forth to council.
  - c. Performance Management – The department has gone through the 2017-2018 performance management program and have set SMART goals for 2018. We are excited to see the benefits from this HR tool.
- o Old Business – N/A
- o New Business – N/A
- o Public Comment – N/A

Meeting adjourned.