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Lincoln County Power District No. 1

Pioche, Nevada

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Lincoln County Power District No. 1 (LCPD or District) was duly held in the office of the District at Caselton, Nevada on March 14, 2016 at 9:00 AM.

Notice of the meeting and agenda were posted at the following locations on March 8, 2016 in conformance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law: Lincoln County Courthouse, U.S. Post Office at Pioche, Lincoln County Telephone System Office, Lincoln County Power District Office, Panaca Market, and the U.S. Post Office at Panaca.

The agenda for this meeting is included at the end of these minutes for reference purposes and is a part of these minutes.

President Ed Wright called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM.

The following were present: President Ed Wright, Vice President Lee Mathews, Board Members Mike Fogliani and Bob Rollins; General Manager Dave Luttrell, Administrative Manager Garry McBride, Construction Manager John Condie, and Clerk Louise Carlson.

Board Member Dylan Frehner was absent.

A. Conformance to the Nevada Open Meeting Law: Dave Luttrell stated that the District had complied with the requirements of the Nevada Open Meeting Law.

B. Public Comments: There were no public comments.

C. Minutes of Meeting Held on February 8, 2015: Bob Rollins made a motion to approve the minutes. Lee Mathews seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

D. Resolution 2016-01, Authorization to apply for FEMA Pre-Disaster Mitigation Grant funds. (Possible Action): Dave Luttrell informed the Board that for about a year staff has been working with other local agencies on disaster preparedness. In Lincoln County the big issue is the potential impact of a wildfire on the main transmission line. The county and the State have included the clearing of the Power District's transmission rights-of-way in their hazard mitigation plans. With the county and state support, the Power District is now able to apply to FEMA for pre-disaster mitigation grant funds. Under the grant,

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FEMA would provide 75% of the cost and the Power District 25% of the cost to clear the main line and the Pony 69-kV line. Staff is requesting authority from the board to sign and submit an application and to provide commitment to FEMA that the Power District will fund its portion of the project. Mike Fogliani made a motion to authorize Dave Luttrell to apply for FEMA pre-disaster Mitigation Grant funds. Bob Rollins seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

E. Update on Hoover Contract renewal. (Discussion): Dave Luttrell indicated that renewing the contract with Hoover has been delayed for about one month. Power District staff has two issues with the Colorado River Commission (CRC) contract. 1) Protection of the Power District’s hydro power allocation, and 2) the implementation of a working capital fund by CRC that could impact the Power District.

F. Update on Town of Pioche Electric System Study. (Discussion): Dave Luttrell stated that this document was presented to the Pioche Town Board. The Power District is done with the study and any further follow up will be at the request of the Pioche Town Board. The study reveals that the Power District could accept the Town’s electric system without any impact to the Power District’s existing customers and with a reduction in electric rates for the Town’s customers. Dave indicated that the Pioche Town Board has decided to contact an accountant to see how much revenue they would lose if the electric system were transferred to the Power District.

G. General Manager’s Report (Discussion): Dave Luttrell discussed the following with the Board:

- IRP application submitted in February had been approved by the Western Area Power Administration.
- Janel Meldrum gave the opening prayer at the NRECA annual meeting in New Orleans and did an outstanding job.
- Currently working on a study regarding the transfer of the Penoyer Farms electric system to the Power District. Will meet with Don and Brady Shortell next week.
- The four drum puller arrived.
- The Power District has three members up for election who need to file.
- The ACH process for making payments to vendors is now working.
- Finished the Gold Springs right-of-way maintenance with Chavira Tree Trimming out of Elko.

H. Construction and Maintenance Manager’s Report (Discussion): John Condie discussed the following with the Board:

- Installed raptor protection in Lake Valley
- Performed maintenance in Coyote Springs.

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- Main Line road work.
- Put in guy guards on the Meadow Valley line.
- Installed fault locators for UPRR.
- Toned cable for CPU and UPRR
- Installed lights for high school.
- Completed aerator service for NDOW.
- Changed out an arm in Lake Valley.

I. Engineering and Operations Report (Discussion): Dave Luttrell stated that Kyle Donohue and Richard Wilson are out getting their CDL's. Dave Luttrell discussed the following with the Board:

- ENGINEERING:
 - o Working on Nevada Energy communication site design.
 - o Meadow Valley design
 - o Continuing work on system mapping and inventory with the Global Mapping Solutions.
- OPERATIONS:
 - o Mounting the new oil dryer in the trailer. Training on its use will be next week with SD Myers.
 - o Working on breaker issues at Antelope Substation.

J. Financial Report. (Discussion): Dave Luttrell stated that Missy Cheeney is in Las Vegas on a Grand Jury trail. Dave passed out the month end reports for. The Board reviewed the reports.

K. Director's Comments. (Discussion): There were no director's comments.

L. Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:05 AM.

M. Future Agenda Items. (Discussion): There were no future agenda items.

N. Public Comment: There were no public comments.

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Ed Wright, President

Attest:

David Luttrell – Secretary