

# 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 April 11, 2016 at 9:00 AM.

Notice of the meeting and agenda were posted at the following locations on April 5, 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 Member Bob Rollins; General Manager Dave Luttrell, Administrative Manager Garry McBride, Construction Manager John Condie, Engineer Kyle Donohue, and Clerk Louise Carlson. Board Members Dylan Frehner and Mike Fogliani were 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 March 14, 2016:** Bob Rollins made a motion to approve the minutes. Lee Mathews seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

**D. Agreement for Electric Service from the Boulder Canyon Project with the Colorado River Commission of Nevada (CRC) (Possible Action):** Dave Luttrell stated this item is not ready for action at this time. Next month staff expects to be asking for approval of the contract. He informed the Board this 50-year contract is good through 2067. Very difficult negotiations are all in the final stages. Dave discussed some changes in this contract as compared to the Power District's current contract for Hoover power including scheduling entities, resource pools, credits for Hoover as a renewable resource, required working capital, and the hydrology of the river basin. There was no action taken.

**E. First Amended MSCP Agreement with the CRC (Possible Action):** Dave Luttrell explained that this is a companion agreement with CRC. This agreement provides funding for the federal government's multi-species recovery program in the lower Colorado River. There was some discussion about the amount and Dave reminded the Board that this fee was built into the rates. There was no action taken.

**F. Participation in Nevada Electric Highway Phase 2 Program (Possible Action):**

Dave Luttrell informed the Board that he attended a meeting by the Governor's Office of Energy who is actively seeking partners to complete the electrification of US Highway 93 with electric vehicle charging stations. Also at this meeting were Mt Wheeler Power and Wells Rural Electric. Dave presented a slide show and discussed with the Board the efficiency of Electric Vehicles, the federal and state incentives, and the locations of public charging stations available. There was also some discussion about the cost of building and operating a charging station. Lee Mathews made a motion to authorize Dave Luttrell to proceed with the necessary discussions and investigations. Bob Rollins seconded the motion. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

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

- Hoover costs are slated to go up 13.8% on 10/1/2016. This increase will put us operating in the red next year. Looking at a rate change in 2017.
- Pioche Public Utilities (PPU) Board meeting tomorrow will receive feedback from accountant regarding lost revenues if the electric system is transferred to the District.
- Received a safety award for no lost time in 2015 along with a 5-year award.
- Working with Lisa Lloyd on the election. Four individuals have filed for the three board seats up for election. Lisa is planning a separate ballot for eligible voters.
- Ed Wright and Dave Luttrell attended Silver State Energy Association (SSEA) Board and working group meetings last week.

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

- Have half the static up on the Main Line.
- Have energized most of the irrigators.
- Trimmed trees in Panaca.
- Replaced some poles at Geysers.
- One pole in Lake Valley went down.
- Gearing up for the Meadow Valley line rebuild.
- The new puller is in and it works great.

**I. Engineering and Operations Report (Discussion):** Kyle Donohue discussed the following with the Board:

- Working on several estimates for new services.
- Working on several estimates in Coyote Springs.
- Global Mapping Solutions kickoff meeting is tomorrow.
- Finishing sag charts and staking sheets for the Meadow Valley line project.
- Operations completed assembly of the transformer oil drying unit, and installed the unit on transformer 3 at the Tortoise Substation.

**J. Financial Report. (Discussion):** Missy Cheeney passed out the month end reports for March 2015. The Board reviewed the reports.

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

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

**M. Public Comment:** There were no public comments.

**N. Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned at 10:35 AM.

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Ed Wright, President

Attest:

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David Luttrell – Secretary