

**MINUTES  
CITY OF LAKE WORTH BEACH  
ELECTRIC UTILITY (EU) CITY COMMISSION MEETING  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 29, 2019 - immediately following the Special Meeting**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Triolo on the above date at 7:30 PM in the City Commission Chamber located at City Hall, 7 North Dixie Highway, Lake Worth Beach, Florida.

1. **ROLL CALL:** Present were Vice Mayor Andy Amoroso; and Commissioners Scott Maxwell, Omari Hardy and Herman Robinson. Also present were City Manager Michael Bornstein, City Attorney Christy Goddeau, and City Clerk Deborah M. Andrea. Mayor Pam Triolo was absent.
2. **AGENDA - Additions/Deletions/Reordering:**  
There were no changes to the agenda.
3. **PRESENTATIONS:**

(addition) Reliability Update

Ed Liberty, Electric Utility Director, announced that he had just received the powerpoint which had good, current reliability numbers; the financial numbers would be presented when the quarter was finished. He explained that the 2019 numbers were compared to 2018 when the method of calculation was changed to use a time stamp. He reported that the system average interruption had decreased by 35%, the duration had decreased by 41% and the time it took to make the repair was down by 31%, and the overriding message was that things were improving. He said that they were working hard to reduce everyone's interruptions. He stated that the City benchmarked itself against all the other electric utilities in the state and was working to be in the top percentile. He showed an area where the system had been converted from the old overloaded 4kV to the new 26kV circuits, which could handle the load and stated that the project had been completed by the EU staff without outside help. He displayed a slide sent by FMPA that showed how the City's electric rates had come down over the years while rates throughout the country had increased.

**A. FMPA Solar Projects**

Mr. Liberty reported about the bulk solar projects that the City would participate in with the FMPA. He stated that the Poinsett site project, where the City had taken 10 megawatts out of 223.5, had been delayed; the site was fully permitted and was awaiting interconnection agreements with the Duke Transmission System. He said that Florida Renewable Partners proposed delaying the project until 2023 and providing a new price to reflect the penalties for the delay.

Commissioner Hardy asked if there would be a financial affect to the City because of the project delay.

Mr. Liberty replied that the bulk prices for the supplemental power and the solar project were very attractive and the impact to the City would be negligible; the savings were even greater than anticipated.

Mr. Liberty gave information about FMPA Solar Project 2 on which the Commission would vote in November. He said that the City would take up to 30 megawatts out of 178 and that three different facilities would be located in north central Florida, with interconnection to both FPL and Duke. He explained the structure of the project and the contract terms; the City would have a power sales contract with FMPA for a 20-year term with the option to extend for two additional five-year terms and there would be a price ceiling at \$28 per MWh with the City only paying for energy received from the facility.

Vice Mayor Amoroso asked about the delays in the Solar One Project and if any delays would be anticipated in Solar Two.

Mr. Liberty responded that the delay with Solar One was related to the interconnection application with Duke which had a slow process.

Commissioner Robinson left the meeting at 7:44 PM.

**4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION OF NON-AGENDAED ITEMS AND CONSENT AGENDA:**

Ryan Oblander announced that he was the newly elected Chair of the EUAB and there might be a meeting on November 6, but if there would not be any policy matters to discuss, it would be rescheduled to early January.

Justin Hoysradt said that he was a solar energy contractor and spoke about delayed interconnection agreements.

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**Action:** Motion made by Commissioner Maxwell and seconded by Commissioner Hardy to approve the following minutes:

A. September 24, 2019 Meeting

**Vote:** Voice vote showed: AYES: Vice Mayor Amoroso and Commissioners Maxwell and Hardy. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Mayor Triolo and Commissioner Robinson.

**6. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**Action:** Motion made by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Maxwell to approve the Consent Agenda.

A. Emergency Purchase Order to Sulzer Pump Services Inc. for repair/rebuild of seized S3 Boiler Feed Water Pump

**Vote:** Voice vote showed: AYES: Vice Mayor Amoroso and Commissioners Maxwell and Hardy. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Mayor Triolo and Commissioner Robinson.

**7. NEW BUSINESS:**

There were no New Business items on the agenda.

**8. ADJOURNMENT:**

**Action:** Motion made by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Maxwell to adjourn the meeting at 8:05 PM.

**Vote:** Voice vote showed: AYES: Vice Mayor Amoroso and Commissioners Maxwell and Hardy. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Mayor Triolo and Commissioner Robinson.

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Andy Amoroso, Vice Mayor

ATTEST:

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Deborah M. Andrea, CMC, City Clerk

Minutes Approved: January 28, 2020

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