

**BERKSHIRE WIND POWER COOPERATIVE CORPORATION**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**TEMPLETON MUNICIPAL LIGHT & WATER DEPARTMENT  
86 BRIDGE STREET  
BALDWINVILLE, MA**

**JANUARY 17, 2019  
10:30 AM**

**REGULAR SESSION**

**MINUTES**

**1a. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Driscoll declared a quorum present and called the Regular Session of the Berkshire Wind Power Cooperative Corporation Board of Directors Meeting to order at 10:33 AM.

Those present:

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

John Driscoll, Templeton; Sean Hamilton, Sterling and Ronald C. DeCurzio, MMWEC. Peter Dion, Wakefield, joined the meeting later.

**OTHERS**

Nicholas J. Scobbo, Jr., Clerk and Tammy Kane, Recording Secretary, Ferriter Scobbo & Rodophele PC; Brian Quinn, Director – Engineering & Generation Assets, MMWEC; and Edward Kaczinski, Consultant, MMWEC.

**1b. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion to approve the Agenda as presented was made by Hamilton and seconded by DeCurzio and it was unanimously voted to approve the Agenda as presented.

**1c. APPROVAL OF NOVEMBER 29, 2018 REGULAR SESSION MINUTES**

No Minutes were presented for approval.

**1d. REPLACEMENT OF DIRECTOR DUE TO GLENN TRUEIRA'S RETIREMENT**

Scobbo stated only Municipal Managers are eligible to serve on the Board of Directors, other than MMWEC's CEO, who is appointed by the MMWEC Board. Because he retired, Glenn Trueira is no longer eligible to be on the Board of Directors. The Members will have to elect a

replacement. There was a brief discussion on this subject. Driscoll stated Jon Blair of Ipswich wants to run and would be a good candidate and has experience with wind in Ipswich. Scobbo stated nominations for a replacement Directors can be made via e-mail. Scobbo further stated the replacement can be elected in two different ways: 1) at a Membership Meeting; and 2) in writing via an Action by Consent with a majority of the Members signing the Action by Consent.

(Dion enters the meeting at 10:42 AM)

Driscoll stated he would e-mail the Membership to let them know Blair is interested in being on the Board of Directors and to solicit others interested.

Quinn distributed the Berkshire Wind Participants' Update dated January 2019. He stated December 2018 was atypical and the Capacity Factor, 36.6%, was well below the average for December. Average Capacity Factor for all Decembers since COD is 46.2%. There were five (5) outages, some prolonged, due to loss of guard signal in December. Hamilton asked if MMWEC assigns a dollar value to the outages, Quinn replied yes. Quinn stated recent modifications to the GE Wind Farm Management System will limit adverse effects from the loss of guard signal.

Quinn stated MMWEC is continuing discussions with Verizon and Eversource regarding improved reliability due to chronic communication issues. Dion stated addressing reliability has to be a priority. There was a brief discussion about other options for the Cooperative in terms of independent network providers and equipment.

Quinn provided a brief update of Phase 2 efforts. The turbines and some components are at the storage area in New York. Gil Gayton, MMWEC staff, has been on-Site checking on blasting and clearing. Reed & Reed recently told MMWEC its heavy hauler, Southern Tier, deemed conditions are not safe to transport components up the mountain until the spring. While the mountain grade is steep and may have some ice, the Board discussed the solid – frozen ground to be a better option than a muddy ground in the Spring. The Board required that its view (that it does not want this delay) be conveyed to Reed & Reed. The Board instructed Quinn to ask Reed & Reed for another opinion and/or using another trucking company who could do the job without delay.

## **2. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

A motion was made by Dion and seconded by Hamilton to enter into Executive Session for purposes of discussing, the potential purchase, exchange or lease of real property, trade secrets and confidential, corporate-sensitive information where the corporation has determined disclosure will have an adverse effect on the corporation's ability to conduct its business with respect to competitors, to discuss strategy with respect to litigation and to reconvene the Board of Directors Meeting into Regular Session at the conclusion of the Executive Session for purposes adjournment.

On the basis of a roll-call vote as follows:

DeCurzio	"aye"
Dion	"aye"
Driscoll	"aye"

Hamilton "aye"

The Board of Directors entered Executive Session at 11:45 AM.

The Regular Session of the Board of Directors meeting reconvened at 1:06 PM.

**3. OTHER**

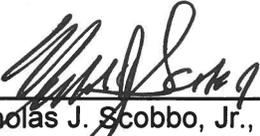
There was no other business to discuss.

**4. ADJOURNMENT**

All business having been concluded, a motion was made by Hamilton and seconded by Dion to adjourn the Berkshire Wind Power Cooperative Corporation Board of Directors meeting.

Chairman Driscoll declared the Berkshire Wind Power Cooperative Corporation Board Directors meeting adjourned at 1:07 PM.

ATTEST:

  
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Nicholas J. Scobbo, Jr., Clerk  
Berkshire Wind Power Cooperative Corporation