

BERKSHIRE WIND POWER COOPERATIVE CORPORATION  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

WAKEFIELD MUNICIPAL GAS & LIGHT DEPARTMENT  
480 NORTH AVENUE  
WAKEFIELD, MA 01880

AUGUST 20, 2014  
11:00 AM

REGULAR SESSION

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Driscoll called the Regular Session of the Berkshire Wind Power Cooperative Corporation Board of Directors meeting to order at 11:12 AM.

Those present:

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Peter Dion, Wakefield; John Driscoll, Templeton; Sean Hamilton, Sterling; and Ronald C. DeCurzio, Chief Executive Officer & Secretary, MMWEC.

OTHERS

Nicholas J. Scobbo Jr., Clerk; and Tammy Kane, Recording Secretary; Edward Kaczinski, Director - Engineering & Generation Assets and Michael Lynch, Director – Market Management & Planning, MMWEC; and Steve Remen, GroSolar.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

3. MINUTES

A motion to approve the Minutes of July 17, 2014 was made by Hamilton and seconded by Dion and it was unanimously voted to approve July 17, 2014 Regular Session Minutes.

4. REPORT ON OPERATIONS

a. Operations

Kaczinski distributed a Berkshire Wind updated and briefly reviewed it. The Capacity Factor since COD is 36.7%, 23.7% for the month of July and 39.6% for the past 12 months. The project has been running 38 months and the numbers are a very close match with the original *pro forma*.

b. GE Support Frame

Scobbo stated he is finalizing a Settlement Agreement with GE for the support frame cracking. Kaczenski stated that GE will start installing shear plates on August 27, 2014 and the Settlement Agreement should be in place before beginning this work.

c. SGIA Filing

Kaczenski stated the Cooperative is at the end of the ISO process for a three turbine expansion. System impact studies have been completed and there were no requirements for upgrades to the WMECO system for the SGIA. The SGIA has been submitted to FERC for approval. A decision is expected by September 9, 2014.

There was a brief discussion about changing oil in the gearboxes. Typically oil changes are done every three years. Castrol performed an oil analysis which found elevated metals and particulate matter. GE indicated that the threshold for an oil change has not been met yet. The Board discussed the three year interval for changing oil and the consensus was given the overall cost of the project, an oil change before the recommended three-year interval was a wise decision especially given the recent oil analysis. Scobbo stated the insurer might have information and requirements for changing oil and should be contacted.

Whereupon

A motion was made by Dion and seconded by Hamilton and it was unanimously voted:

Vote 14- 02: That at the direction of the Board of Directors, MMWEC should cause to be performed oil changes of the gearboxes in the near future and to be performed every three (3) years.

d. Tours

A Site tour is scheduled for September 19, 2014 from 10 - 2. Members of the Cooperative, their Commissioners and Staff are invited.

There have been no changes regarding several outstanding items: 1) WMECO and 2) Verizon. WMECO still has not provided the true-up requested by the Cooperative nor has it responded to requests to do so. MMWEC is still holding two checks sent by Verizon without any backup analysis. The checks total approximately \$32,000. There has been no reconciliation received from Verizon. The Board instructed MMWEC to deposit the checks at this point.

5. NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business to discuss at this time.

6. EXEXUTIVE SESSION

A motion was made by Dion and seconded by Hamilton to enter into Executive Session for purposes of voting on the Executive Session Minutes of July 17, 2014 and to discuss strategy

with respect to future development and litigation and to re-convene into Regular Session for purposes of adjournment. On the basis of a roll-call vote as follows:

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

The Motion was approved.

The Board of Directors entered Executive Session at 11:41 AM.

The Regular Session of the Board of Directors meeting reconvened at 1:52 AM.

#### 6. ADJOURNMENT

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

Chairman Driscoll declared the Berkshire Wind Power Cooperative Corporation Board of Directors meeting adjourned at 1:53 PM.

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ATTEST:

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