



**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING  
AGENDA**

**March 12, 2019**

**5:30 P.M. – 1201 S. Washington Ave.  
Lansing, MI - REO Town Depot  
Board of Water & Light Headquarters**

**AGENDA**

Call to Order

Roll Call

Public Comments on Agenda Items

- 1. Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2019.....**TAB 1**
- 2. Surplus Property to Habitat for Humanity.....**INFO ONLY**
- 3. Outage Management Systems.....**INFO ONLY**
- 4. Communications Survey.....**INFO ONLY**
- 5. General Manager’s Updates:
  - BWL Bottled Water
  - Introduction of Diversity & Inclusion Committee
  - Union Leadership & BWL Executive Staff Meetings
  - Organizational Change Management
  - General Manager Round Table

Other

Adjourn

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

### Meeting Minutes

January 8, 2019

The Committee of the Whole of the Lansing Board of Water and Light (BWL) met at the BWL Headquarters-REO Town Depot located at 1201 S. Washington Ave., Lansing, MI, at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, January 8, 2019.

Committee of the Whole Chair Sandra Zerkle called the meeting to order at 5:30 pm and asked the Corporate Secretary to call the roll.

Present: Commissioners Sandra Zerkle, Beth Graham, David Lenz, Tony Mullen, David Price, Ken Ross, and Non-Voting Members: Doug Jester (East Lansing) (@5:42pm), and William Long (Delta Township).

Absent: Commissioners Anthony McCloud, Tracy Thomas, and Non-Voting Member Dion'trae Hayes (Lansing Charter Township),

The Corporate Secretary declared a quorum.

#### **Public Comments**

None.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

**Motion** by Commissioner Price, **Seconded** by Commissioner Mullen, to approve the Committee of the Whole Meeting minutes of November 6, 2018.

**Action:** Motion Carried.

Committee of the Whole Chair Sandra Zerkle welcomed new 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Commissioner, David Lenz.

#### **New Plant Update**

General Manager Peffley provided the Committee of the Whole with an update on the Eckert plant. Mr. Peffley stated that as of January 1, 2019, the Eckert plant is being used for capacity only and will operate in this manner through January 31, 2020 at which time all operation will cease. Most of the 101 employees that were working at the Eckert plant have transitioned into new positions; only a handful of employees remain at the plant to operate in the event of an emergency.

Executive Director of Planning and Development, George Stojic provided an update on the new combined-cycle plant. Mr. Stojic acknowledged the employees and teams that have been working on the processes for the new plant: Rob Hodge, Director Delta Energy Park Project, Mark Williams, Advisor, Senior Special Projects, and Dan Flynn, Principal Engineer. Mr. Stojic's update included the plant and owner procurement process, acquiring air and wetland permits, selecting a construction manager as well as major equipment delivery.

#### **Integrated Resource Plan (IRP)**

George Stojic, Executive Director of Planning and Development, discussed the process that the BWL plans to follow for the 2019-2020 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP). Mr. Stojic's explained the planned process includes individual meetings with key stakeholders, public meetings to be held throughout the BWL's service territory, resource plans for data development and dynamic modeling, and a final report

to the Board. Mr. Stojic also stated that there are plans to undertake an update of the Board's Strategic Plan following the IRP.

### **Board Self-Evaluation Review**

Board Chairperson, David Price, and BWL Executive Director of Human Resources, Michael Flowers, reviewed the results of the Board Self-Evaluation. Board Chair Price stated that he was pleased with the results of the 360 Survey.

Commissioner Price questioned the necessity of the Board Self-Evaluation being conducted annually as stated in the Governance Policy and a discussion followed. Commissioner Ross asked that open-ended comments/questions be added to future Board Self-Evaluations to enable further discussion of the results.

**Motion** by Commissioner Price, **Seconded** by Commissioner Graham, to amend the Governance Policy to reflect the following change: **From** "each year the Board will conduct a self-evaluation" **To** "every two years the Board will conduct a self-evaluation."

**Action:** Motion Carried

The amendment in the form of a Resolution will be brought forward for consideration by the Full Board at the January 22, 2019 Regular Board meeting.

### **Other**

None.

**Motion** by Commissioner Ross, **Seconded** by Commissioner Price to excuse Commissioners Haynes, McCloud and Thomas from tonight's meeting.

**Action:** Motion Carried

### **Adjourn**

**Motion** by Commissioner Price to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted  
Sandra Zerkle, Chair  
Committee of the Whole