

**INDEPENDENCE LIGHT & POWER**  
**MINUTES OF REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

**September 28, 2017**

Call to Order: The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Independence Light & Power was called to order at 8:05 a.m. on September 28, 2017 in the administrative office building. Chairman Amber Hunt presided. Present at the meeting were Trustees Leon Bachman, Gerald Stelter, Stephany Harvey and Lance Fricke. Absent: None. Also, present were Kevin Sidles, Linda Kress, Josh Vandenburg, Melissa Hearn, Lans Flickinger, Tom Westoff and Tom Paque. Votes were unanimous unless indicated otherwise.

Consent Agenda: Inclusive of the minutes of the August 24, 2017 regular meeting; Bills #40117, #40372-40413; electronic payments #8802379-2395, #8802397-2405, and direct deposit advice #9904288-4309; Month end and operations reports were approved with a motion by Harvey, second by Fricke.

Business Conducted: 1) Chairperson Hunt request to amend agenda to begin with New Business – Tom Paque, Senior Vice President Member Services and Business Strategy, WPPI Energy. 2) Tom Paque presentation “Doing More Together: Preparing for the Future through Joint Action”. 3) Kress reported cable conversion main priority for staff members since went into effect September 6, 2017; Sara Wilson joined the ILPT team on September 6, 2017 – a section of phase one training will occur at Professional Computer Systems in Denison Iowa early November; Elster/Honeywell Field Services will provide training & consulting during the week of October 2, 2017 inclusive of AMI Water meters for downtown route; Phone log tallies reflect an average of 55-60 calls per day in the months of January through July 2017. 4) Sidles reported Electric & Water AMI meters for downtown route have arrived – installation and billing implementation training will occur October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>; Line crews have completed replacement of utility poles per 2016 IUB System Inspection Report; Truck ramp constructed to allow truck access to storage tanks for removal & later serve as a means of access for storage of distribution transformers & inventory items aiding the Utility with regulatory compliance; An outage affecting two customers in the NE from 9:00 a.m. to 11:15 a.m. while crews worked to repair damage caused by lightning strike. 5) Hearn reported ILPT will have a booth at the Farmers Market Saturday September 30, 2017; Food drive collection box at the Market and collection boxes at the office during the entire month of October; Staff pictures scheduled for Thursday October 5, 2017; Trustee pictures scheduled for Thursday October 26, 2017. 6) Old Business: Administrative Building improvements/addition presentation and discussion. 7) A motion by Bachman to move forward with the remodel of customer service area in Administrative Building as part of the 2018 budget plan, second by Stelter. 8) WPPI Energy Director & Alternate change discussion. 9) Consensus to table naming of Alternate Director for further review of WPPI bylaws. 10) 2017 / 2018 Capital project budget discussion. 11) Board consensus to take advantage of any end of year pricing on capital projects. 12) The next regular Board meeting will be Thursday October 26, 2017 at 8:00 a.m.. 13) Stelter moved to go into closed session at 10:01 a.m. to discuss real estate, Iowa Code 21.5 (j) and union, Iowa Code 21.5 (i), second by Harvey. 14) ILP back into regular session at 10:10 a.m.. 15) Moved for adjournment at 10:10 a.m. with a motion by Harvey.

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Amber Hunt, Chairperson

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Leon Bachman, Secretary/Treasurer

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Date Approved