

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

**May 28, 2020**

Call to Order: The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Independence Light & Power was called to order at 9:21 a.m. on May 28, 2020 in the administrative office building. Chairman Stephany Harvey presided via audio/video. Present at the meeting via audio/video were Trustees Gerald Stelter, Lance Fricke, Mike Lenius and Amber Hunt. Absent: None. Also, present were Kevin Sidles, Linda Kress, Josh Vandenburg, Melissa Hearn and Lans Flickinger. Votes were unanimous unless indicated otherwise.

Consent Agenda: Inclusive of the minutes of the April 30, 2020 regular meeting, Bills #42506-2535, #42537-2557; electronic payments #8803185-3218, and direct deposit advice #42536, #9905113-5136; Month end and operations reports were approved with a motion by Stelter, second by Fricke.

Business Conducted: 1) No public request or comment. 2) Sidles provided an overview of first quarter Month End reports. 3) Kress reported Income Offset matches at approximately \$14,000 through May 20, 2020; Winter Moratorium/Public Health Emergency proclamation expired May 27, 2020 with IUB phasing in interruption practices. 4) Discussion on waiving reconnection fee(s) and the continuation of waiving late penalty fee(s) until July 15, 2020. 5) A motion by Fricke to waive reconnect fee(s) and late penalty fee(s) until July 15, 2020, second by Hunt. 6) Kress reported soft opening of front lobby area scheduled for Monday June 1, 2020. 7) Discussion occurred on reopening standards with Board consensus to proceed with soft opening on Monday June 1, 2020. 8) Kress reported NorthStar go-live date has been adjusted to August 31, 2020 due to staff training constraints related to COVID-19; Currently in mock-up stages of new customer statement. 9) Hearn reported winners of the ILPT Scholarships were chosen by WPPI Scholarship Committee: \$1,000.00 Public Power Scholarship won by – Makenzie Homan; \$1,000.00 Public Power Scholarship won by – Parker Sweeney; \$500.00 Public Power [Telecommunications] Scholarship won by – Emma Hansen; \$500.00 Power Line Program Scholarship won by – Bryn Jones. 10) Sidles reported switch gear installation West Substation 4<sup>th</sup> circuit completed; Directional bore under Wapsipinicon River north of First Street bridge completed. 11) An outage occurred on the SW side of town Saturday May 23, 2020 affecting 18 customers for 32 minutes due to a tree branch in the power lines. 12) Assistance provided to Coggon Municipal Light Plant on May 11, 2020. 13) No Old Business. 14) WPPI Energy Community Recharge Program discussion. 15) A motion by Fricke to donate 50% of WPPI Energy Community Recharge Program funds to Independence Area Food Pantry and 50% of WPPI Energy Community Recharge Program funds to Champs Cupboard, second by Hunt. 16) The next regular Board meeting will be Thursday June 25, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.. 17) An upcoming meeting has been set for Thursday July 30, 2020 at 9:00 a.m.. 18) Moved for adjournment at 9:52 a.m. with a motion by Stelter.

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Stephany Harvey, Chairperson

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Mike Lenius, Secretary/Treasurer

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Date Approved