

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

**September 30, 2021**

Call to Order: The regular monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Independence Light & Power was called to order at 9:02 a.m. on September 30, 2021 in the administrative office building. Chairman Stephany Harvey presided via audio/video. Present at the meeting via audio/video or in-person were Trustees Lance Fricke, and Mike Lenius. Absent: Gerald Stelter and Amber Hunt. Also, present were Kevin Sidles, Linda Kress, Josh Vandenburg, Melissa Hearn, Sara Wilson and Lans Flickinger. Votes were unanimous unless indicated otherwise.

Consent Agenda: Inclusive of the minutes of the August 26, 2021 regular meeting, Bills #43405-3453; electronic payments; #8803675-3703; and direct deposit advice #9905550-5575 Month end and operations reports were approved with a motion by Fricke, second by Lenius.

Business Conducted: 1) No public request or comment. 2) Kress reported staff joined a popup virtual training session on Thursday September 23, 2021 and September 24, 2021 where WPPI staff provided a tour of the facelift given to NorthStar reporting tool Cognos RAW; CSR/Billing Clerk Diane Dudley is retiring today September 30, 2021 after 26.7 years with the Utility; Seasonal Sewer Billing insert to be included with the September 30, 2021 and October 15, 2021 statements. 3) Hearn reported with the decision made to cancel the booth at the Farmer's Market on Saturday September 25, 2021, promo items will be stored and used for next years' market; Continue to send letters to customers to schedule fiber conversions; Working on marketing budget numbers for 2022; Continue to work with WPPI Energy on new website. 4) An outage occurred on September 15, 2021 at 11:30 affecting five hundred seventy-eight customers on the East side of town for five minutes due to tree trimming in Hazelton. 5) Old Business - Board Self-Evaluation: Consensus to discuss in closed session. 6) New Business – Deferred Compensation Plan (457) appointee. 7) Lenius moved that Sidles be appointed Trustee of the 457 Deferred Compensation Plan, second by Fricke. 8) New Business: 2021 Capital project update. Discussion on 2021 capital project work-in-progress status and actual vs. budgeted costs. 9) New Business: 2022 project planning. Discussion on upcoming projects for year 2022 including project overview and proposed budget costs. 10) The next regular Board meeting will be Thursday October 28, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.. 11) An upcoming meeting has been set for Thursday November 18, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.. 12) Lenius moved to go into closed session at 9:59 a.m. to discuss personnel, Iowa Code 21.5(i), second by Fricke. 13) ILP back into regular session at 10:31 a.m.. 14) Moved for adjournment at 10:31 a.m. with a motion by Lenius, second by Fricke.

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Stephany Harvey, Chairperson

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Mike Lenius, Secretary/Treasurer

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Date Approved