

**MINUTES OF THE
MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD
June 29, 2021**

PURSUANT TO notice given, the Wellesley Municipal Light Board (“Board”) held a duly posted open online remote meeting beginning at 5:02 PM.

REMOTE PARTICIPANTS

Those Commissioners participating included Chair Jeffrey P. Wechsler, Paul L. Criswell, Ellen L. Korpi, Scott Bender, Edward J. Stewart, III, Advisory Member, William Maynard. Staff participating were, MLP Director Donald H. Newell, Francisco Frias, Joanne M. Scannell, Daniel Fortin, William Marsh, Steven Neshe and Cindy Lowe.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion made by Ms. Korpi, and seconded by Mr. Bender, the approval of minutes from the June 1, 2021 MLB meeting was approved.

VOTED: To approve the June 1, 2021 Public Session Minutes as presented.

CITIZEN SPEAK

The Chair presented all of those in attendance with the opportunity to speak on matters of interest with respect to the MLP. No citizens spoke.

DIRECTOR’S ITEMS

Solar on Wellesley Schools: Catherine Mirick from the Wellesley School Committee presented the Hunnewell and Hardy School projects with the plan to have solar on the roofs of the new schools. Discussion on how the MLP will support such projects.

Fiscal Year 2021 Write Offs: William Marsh presented to the board the FY21 bad debt write offs totaling \$19,407.60, noting that the average annual write-off amount is \$22,272.93 for the past 6 years. Mr. Criswell made a motion to approve the FY21 write-off amount, Ms. Korpi seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.

Sustainability Update: Ms. Joanne Scannell and Mr. Francisco Frias updated the board on the various sustainability initiatives of the MLP and answered specific questions on the initiatives.

Election of Officers: Election of Municipal Light Board Chair, Ellen Korpi, Vice Chair, Edward J. Stewart III and Secretary Scott Bender for Fiscal Year 2022.

Streetslight Rate FY22: Mr. Donald Newell presented the calculation for FY22 Street Light Rate for the town of Wellesley. Mr. Jack Stewart made a motion to approve the FY22 Street Light Rate as presented. Ms. Korpi seconded the motion. It was unanimously approved.

Executive Session. Mr. Wechsler requested a meeting in Executive Session to discuss the Small Cell Attachment Contract with T-Mobile and the Advanced Metering Infrastructure Project. Mr. Stewart polled each individual member. Each Board Member answered in the affirmative and the Board entered Executive Session at 6:14 PM.

Mr. Wechsler requested the meeting return to Open Session to vote on Small Cell Attachment Contract item. Mr. Stewart polled each member. Each member answered in the affirmative and the Board entered back into Open Session at 7:10pm.

Small Cell Attachment Contract with T-Mobile: Mr. Newell requested the board vote on the continuation of negotiations and signing of the contract with T-Mobile. Ms. Korpi made a motion to allow Mr. Newell to continue with negotiations and signing of the Small Cell contract with T-Mobile, it was seconded by Mr. Criswell. It was unanimously approved.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board Meeting adjourned at 7:14 PM.

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