

MINUTES



**CDE Lightband
Power Board Members and Staff
Power Board Meeting
Thursday, October 28, 2021, 8:00 am - 9:30 am
2021 Wilma Rudolph Blvd., Clarksville, TN 37040**

In Attendance

Brian Taylor; Christy Batts; Daniel Kimbell; Darla Knight; David Johns; Garnett Ladd; Jim Manning; Joe Pitts; Kunal Shah; Lance Baker; Privott Stroman; Ron Jackson; Sally Martino; Travis Holleman

A. Call to Order

A meeting of the Clarksville Power Board was called to order by Chairman Ron Jackson on Thursday, October 28, 2021, at 8:00a.m. at CDE Lightband, 2021 Wilma Rudolph Blvd, Clarksville, TN 37040.

B. Power in Motion

Garrett Hagewood was recognized with the Power in Motion award for completing the TVPPA Lineman Apprentice Program.

Introduction of Daniel Kimbell as System Engineer.

C. September Power Board Minutes

The Power Board did unanimously approve the minutes from the September 28, 2021, Regular Power Board meeting.

Move: Travis Holleman Second: Kunal Shah Status: Passed

D. September Monthly Report

David Johns presented the September 2021 financials.

A motion was made to approve the financials as presented.

Move: Travis Holleman Second: Garnett Ladd Status: Passed

E. Auditors Report

James Bence, Partner, Mauldin and Jenkins, presented the 2021 Audit. A clean audit with no findings for the 11th year.

F. Purchase Power Agreement Presentation

TVA purchases excess solar power from the customer at 1.7 cents per kWh. We are proposing that CDE purchase the same energy directly from the customer at 4 cents per kWh.

We are asking the board to approve the Purchase Power agreement pending TVA's approval.

A motion was made to approve the agreement pending approval from TVA.

Move: Garnett Ladd Second: Travis Holleman Status: Passed

G. Operating Policies

Broadband rate policies 6-1 and 6-1a. Residential increases are focused on video and installation rates. Business increases are focused on video and internet rates plus some installation charges. Changes are being made to address rising programming and supply costs. A motion was made to approve the rate increases.

Move: Travis Holleman Second: Darla Knight Status: Passed

H. Purchase Requests

The following purchases were reviewed:

1. Uplink Module
2. AOC Cable
3. OLT
4. Conduit
5. LED Lights
6. Cable
7. DHCP Software Support Renewal
8. Plume Pods

I. Operating Policy 2-1

Compared to October, the average residential bill in November will increase by \$2.46. This increase is due primarily to the rising fuel costs.

J. Management Report

Covid update - 1 positive in October, vaccinations reported 43%

Employee Diversity Training - Kristin Scroggin, presented to CDE employees "GENWHY Communications"

Public Power Week - 1st week in October, highlighted employees on Facebook, some were picked up by APPA in their communications.

Louie the Lightning Bug rode around town on the public bus.

We were 1 of 70 utilities awarded the Smart Energy Provider designation during the APPA Customer Connections Conference. SEP designees are recognized for demonstrating a commitment to and proficiency in energy efficiency, distributed generation, and environmental initiatives that support a goal of providing low-cost, quality, safe, and reliable electric service. It also recognizes public power utilities for demonstrating leading practices in four key disciplines: smart energy program structure; energy efficiency and distributed energy programs; environmental and sustainability initiatives; and the customer experience.

Solarband project - 305 Wedgewood property may be reduced to 2-3MW due to sinkholes and wetlands. Engineering work continues at both sites. Work continues with TVA Flexibility Initiation agreement.

FERC announcement - FERC denies the petition of Athens Utility Board, Gibson Electric Membership Corp, Joe Wheeler Membership Corp, and Volunteer Energy Coop to require TVA to offer unbundled transmission service.

EV Charging Stations - we filed a grant for primary interstate routes at Exit 11, site two at APSU

Connected Communities - Focus Area 1, Equitable Access to Service; Focus Area 2, Economic Empowerment

K. Electric Division Update

L. Broadband Division Report

M. Customer Service Update

N. Monthly Stats

O. Revenue less Power Cost

P. Adjourned

The Regular meeting was paused at 9:21 a.m. and the board members went into Executive Session.

Q. Executive Session

The regular meeting resumed at 10:07 a.m. and a motion was made to approve the Baker Donelson professional services invoice.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 a.m.

Move: Travis Holleman Second: Kunal Shah Status: Passed