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**BOARD OF LIGHT COMMISSIONERS
ZOOM PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
September 9, 2025 Amended**

Action Items:

Mr. McKeon will call PLM to confirm they are all set.

Mr. McKeon will schedule a tour of the Holden substation with the Commissioners.

The public meeting was called to order at 3:01 P.M.

**Present: Commissioner- Rick Rys, Commissioner- Richard Chase, General Manager- Sean McKeon,
General Foreman- Chris Courville, Ashley Reddy and Karen Mammone**

Zoom: Brian Pellerin

Commissioner Gott 3:49 P.M.

Agenda:

The Board unanimously approved (2-0) the September 9, 2025, agenda.

The June minutes were moved to the end of the meeting in case Commissioner Gott could attend and vote on the minutes.

Commissioner Rys made the motion

Commissioner Chase- aye

Commissioner Rys discussed ways to simplify the process of writing meeting minutes. He suggested organizing the minutes according to the agenda to stay on topic and limiting discussions to a few minutes for each subject. Additionally, Mr. McKeon emphasized that only one person should speak at a time to ensure the recordings are clear.

If someone wishes to speak during our meetings, they will be asked to state their name and address.

Meeting Minutes:

The minutes for August 12, 2025, were approved (2-0) as written.

June minutes were saved until the end of the meeting so Commissioner Gott could vote on them. The minutes were approved unanimously (3-0) as written.

General Manager's Report:

Current Bank Balances-

The Board reviewed the bank account balance report dated September 9, 2025. A copy will be placed on file. All bills are paid in a timely manner.

2025 Cashflow Budget Review-

Mr. McKeon presented the board with a copy of the 2025 budget details dated September 8, 2025. A copy will be placed on file. The cash flow figures were for January through July 2025, with a target of 58.33%. Mr. McKeon stated that revenues were 63.62% and expenses were 58.77%.

Power Purchase Methodology:

Commissioners Rys, Commissioner Chase, and Mr. McKeon discussed the appropriate stance for PMLD when MMWEC is purchasing power on behalf of PMLD. Mr. McKeon expressed a desire to understand the criteria the Commissioners are considering, noting that the final decision will ultimately be made by the General Manager.

Commissioner Rys aims for a 20% open position, as indicated in the peer review (refer to the attachment of last month's minutes). Additionally, he envisions PMLD achieving 50% non-carbon status by 2030. He also prefers that PMLD not own any generating assets aside from the wind turbines.

Commissioner Chase agrees with Commissioner Rys regarding power purchasing. He suggested changing our open position seasonally.

Update on Operations:

- **Recent Activities-**
Please refer to the attached sheet for the completed and scheduled work from August 13, 2025, to September 9, 2025.
- **MMWEC/ Lightshift Battery Storage Project-**
National Grid has provided PMLD with a quote to complete the initial phase of the study. PMLD will finance the study, with Lightshift reimbursing PMLD.
- **Holden Interconnect-**
The Holden Municipal Light Department has collected the load data for PLM to complete their part of the study. Mr. McKeon will review the Lightshift contract and contact PLM once their study is finished.
- **Substation Visit-**
Mr. McKeon will reach out to Mr. Tupper at HMLD to arrange a tour for the Commissioners.
- **Wind Scada Update-**
The Wind SCADA system is still not operational. Our IT specialist has been in contact with American Superconductor, but they are confused as to why it isn't functioning. Since the SCADA system is down, someone needs to go to the turbines to clear any errors and reset the automatic settings. Currently, all operations are being conducted manually.

Updates on Facebook & Website:

There are no reports this month.

New Business/Parking Lot:

The Environmental Action Committee (EAC) will hold a meeting on October 6, 2025, at 7:00 PM. The meeting will take place at the Senior and Community Center located at Post Office Place, Suite 18. All three Commissioners have expressed interest in attending. PMLD will post information about this meeting on their website.

Commissioner Chase talked about a Princeton resident interested in installing solar on their property. A developer would build, own, and operate the solar system, selling power to PMLD through a Power Purchase Agreement (PPA), as well as to other customers. This project depends on the Holden Interconnect. Mr. McKeon will assess the number of poles that would be affected and provide an estimate of the costs involved.

Amended: Commissioner Chase would like the following sentence to read:

“...Power Purchase Agreement, *as well as to other customers outside of Princeton.*”

NEPPA (Northeast Public Power Association) Meeting:

Commissioner Gott and Mr. McKeon both attended the meeting and will discuss it during next month's board meeting. Commissioner Gott mentioned that there was a discussion about the regulatory environment regarding the impacts of the Trump administration, as well as the natural gas pipeline in the Northeast.

Public Comments:

No comments.

At 4:15 P.M., the Board voted unanimously in favor (3-0) to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Rys made the motion.

Commissioner Chase- 2nd

Commissioner Gott- yes

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Mammone

Recording Secretary