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# City of Hurricane

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The Hurricane City Power Board met on November 30, 2021, at 3:00 p.m. at the Clifton Wilson Substation on 526 W 600 N.

In attendance were Chairman Mac Hall, Jerry Brisk, Pam Humphries, Dave Imlay, Darin Larson, Charles Reeve, Scott Hughes, Michael Ramirez, Brian Anderson, Jared Ross, and Crystal Wright.

Mac Hall welcomed everyone to the meeting; Darin Larson led the Pledge of Allegiance and Jerry Brisk offered the prayer. Pam Humphries recommended, and Darin Larson seconded the approval of September 2021 minutes.

**Michael Ramirez:** Transitioned to new position of Service Superintendent. Solar applications are backed up. Not enough meters available in stock to supply meters for all existing applicants. Solar meters have been on order since April 2021. Provided updates with new and existing projects. Installed power to new traffic signal at 4400 W. Scott Hughes update regarding a new employee who will start in middle of December in the substation and is a journeyman lineman.

**Brian Anderson:** Transitioned to Transmission & Distribution Superintendent. 600 N Transmission Line Project update. Setting steel poles in preparation for scheduled outage. Steel poles set in between hot lines. High winds caused lines to blow into steel pole causing outage of Brentwood and Clifton Wilson substations. IPSA Hotline School happened at beginning of month. Some employees were attendees, and some were teaching. Christmas decorations are all up.

**Jared Ross:** Transitioned to Substation & Generation Superintendent. Working on filling substation employment vacancies. Chris Shamo temporarily helping in substation department in interim. Working on circuit 101 regulator bank equipment. Ordering material and ordering switches. Plan to take set of regulators out of Anticline to use temporarily. If more regulators are needed back at Anticline, we will replace them with regulators that should be coming in February. Organizing substation and generation office.

**SR7 Easement Update:** Scott Hughes presented Bench Lake Power Transmission Alignment Study which shows bids from Civil Science and Alpha Engineering. Alpha Engineering bid was chosen. City Engineer, Arthur LeBaron, has asked other departments as well as Dominion Energy about contributing to cost of alignment studies. Study will be done for two routes to determine which is best. Kickoff meeting with Alpha Engineering for study next week. Dave Imlay suggested we contact Dixie Power regarding a possibility of a dual circuit through there. They may be interested in the study or would want to potentially participate.

**Clean Electricity Performance Program (CEPP) Update:** Scott Hughes updated that this portion of the Build Back Better federal legislation has been removed from the bill. This bill had been presented as a big push into renewable energy.

**DAQ EV Charging Grant Discussion:** Scott Hughes reported DAQ will match 50/50 for qualified applicants who would like to install EV charging stations. Incentive for businesses to provide stations. Dave Imlay suggested if we want to test out whether we want to participate, we could do a small number of stations to try it out. Mac Hall asked if stations are metered for power consumption. Discussion about whether and how to charge for usage and potential locations that would be viable. If

we would like to test participation, the Community Center may be a good location to try out a couple of stations.

**Wildland Fire Protection Plan (WFPP) Update:** Scott Hughes provided update that there isn't actual paperwork drawn up for the plan yet. It would be legislation UAMPS would write up that would protect power agencies from litigation due to power-caused wildfires. It provides mitigation plans to lessen risk that could be followed to help provide legal protection. UAMPS is looking to find out which agencies are interested in participating. We expressed initial interest.

**New Property Purchase Approval:** Scott Hughes described the property we currently own. It is sufficient for a single-bay substation. Future use would need a double-bay 138 KV substation. There is a planned roadway requiring some of the existing property. More property is needed to provide sufficient size needed for substation. Negotiations with landowner provided two options. Option one would purchase an additional parcel adjacent to the existing piece. This would be slightly larger than needed as well as a larger sum of money. Option two would swap the existing piece for different piece further north that is larger and would be a smaller sum of money. This larger piece to the north would provide just enough property to allow for the roadway and still have enough area to build substation. Option one has large irrigation valves that would need to be moved and is a large rocky area. Option two would require an easement to access new site and require extra work to get from substation to existing circuit junction. Staff recommendation after pros and cons is option two. It is also the preferred option by the landowner. Charles Reeve motion to recommend approval to exchange property, maintaining existing right-of-way and easements and the additional fee to purchase. Dave Imlay seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Mutual Aid Agreement Approval:** Scott Hughes passed out more information regarding the Mutual Aid Agreement included in the packet. Dave Imlay discussed concerns with charging rates not being consistent between neighboring agencies. Assistance between agencies has been shared in the past without charge. Good to have agreement in place to charge if needed. Concern if agency with higher labor cost doesn't maintain their system, it opens door to rely on other agencies with lower labor cost to fix their potential maintenance problems. Mac Hall explained benefit to have a signed agreement to protect your crews. Dave motion to recommend approval. Charles Reeve seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

**Carbon Free Power Project (CFPP) Update:** Scott Hughes provided update on project from UAMPS presentation. Project is continuing to move forward. Finished core boring four weeks early. Critical path schedule is maintained. Ten monitoring wells are behind schedule, but it's not a critical path schedule. Data collection will occur in December. Demobilization from site during December. Discussions continue with potential site operator. Subscriptions to project remain the same.

**Pool Project Update:** Scott Hughes reported that a UAMPS presentation will happen tomorrow at our location for Southern Utah members. More detailed information will be forthcoming after that meeting.

**IPP Discussion:** Scott Hughes reported that a decision needs to be made by December regarding calling back IPP resource. Options to bring back for eight-year period or bring back seasonally. If seasonal choice is preferred, we need to make that decision now for Summer 2022. Dave Imlay provided some direction to talk to Blaine at UAMPS regarding when the debt service will be paid off for the project. Scott Hughes stated that many UAMPS members seem interested in calling it back for various reasons. The price of IPP historically was expensive due in part to the debt service. With the high cost of power forecasted it makes calling IPP back more advantageous. Advice given to Scott Hughes to have Kelton at

UAMPS run analysis to determine whether it would have been helpful to have called back IPP with last year's numbers.

**Budget:** Scott Hughes provided updates with average cost of power prices in September and an overview of the last 10 years. 2021 overall has seen much higher power prices for most months over 2020 average prices and all previous 10 years. With multiple projects in the works, it will continue to be important to keep an eye on power prices and their effect on the budget.

**Other:** Mac Hall began a discussion about whether to hold Power Board Meeting in December. Decision made to have Scott Hughes determine whether to call to order a meeting or not. Only if needed or called to order, it will be held on December 21, 2021.

The Power Board adjourned at 5:08 p.m.