

DELAWARE MUNICIPAL ELECTRIC CORPORATION
REGULAR MEETING
DEMEC ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING
SMYRNA, DELAWARE
April 11, 2024

A meeting of the Board of Directors and Representatives of the Delaware Municipal Electric Corporation was held on Thursday, the 11th day of April 2024 at DEMEC's Administrative Building, Smyrna, Delaware.

The meeting was called to order at 10:09 a.m. with Mr. Morris Deputy, Chair, presiding.

The following roll call was presented:

Present:

Morris Deputy, Chair
Representing Middletown
Tyler Reynolds, Alternate
Representing Middletown
Tom Coleman, Vice Chair
Representing Newark
Dave Del Grande, Alternate
Representing Newark
Charles Anderson, Treasurer
Representing Seaford
June Merritt, Alternate
Representing Seaford
Mary DeBenedictis, Secretary
Representing Clayton
Scott Blomquist, Director
Representing the MSC of New Castle
Ken Natale, Alternate
Representing the MSC of New Castle
Mark Whitfield, Director
Representing Milford
Anthony Chipola, Alternate
Representing Milford
Kim Bellere, Alternate
Representing Lewes BPW
Paul Waddell, Alternate
Representing Dover
Kimberly Schlichting, President
Representing DEMEC

Absent:

Austin Calaman, Director
Representing Lewes BPW

Travis Stewart, Alternate
Representing Smyrna
Dave Hugg, Representative
Representing Dover

DEMEC Staff Attending: Willie Marshall, Director of Finance; Stephanie Dove, Chief Financial Officer; Robert Cote, Senior Vice President of Administration; Stephan Siok, Director of Beasley Plant Operations and Compliance; Maya Krasker, Energy Services Manager; Kendra Friel, Training & Events Coordinator; Marty Hale, Director of Human Resources; Heather Contant, Director of Government and Community Relations; Scott Lynch, VP of Asset Development; Keri Knorr, Administrative Assistant, Mark Pryor, Plant Operator; Chris Manganeli, IT System Administrator; Christine Siok, Executive Assistant.

Guests and Attendees: Max Walton, Attorney, Connolly Gallagher; Lincoln Willis, Principal, The Willis Group.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the following meeting(s) were presented for approval:

1. Minutes of March 14, 2024
2. Minutes of March 26, 2024
3. Minutes of April 3, 2024

Upon motion made by New Castle, to approve the minutes of the meetings of March 14, 2024, March 26, 2024, and April 3, 2024, seconded by Milford, the motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT

No monthly financial report presented.

PRESENTATIONS

None.

APPOINTMENTS/ELECTIONS

None.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2024-02 – AMP/D3Energy Solar Schedule Authorization.

Mr. Scott Lynch, VP of Asset Development, explained the purpose of Resolution 2024-02 AMP/D3Energy Solar Schedule Authorization.

Upon motion made by Newark, to approve Resolution 2024-02 - AMP/D3Energy Solar Schedule Authorization, seconded by Milford, abstained by Middletown, the motion passed.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee – Mr. Deputy stated that the Executive Committee met this morning, and details will be discussed during executive session.

Finance Committee – Mr. Charles Anderson, Director representing Seaford and Treasurer, noted the Finance Committee met with the auditors on April 9th. There were no issues reported to the Finance Committee.

PRESIDENT’S REPORTS TO BOARD

Recognition of New Employees:

Ms. Kimberly Schlichting, President & CEO, introduced DEMEC’s new employee listed below, offering a brief biography and an overview of responsibilities.

Ms. Keri Knorr, Administrative Assistant

Legislative Update –

To be discussed in executive session.

DEMEC Day –

Ms. Schlichting provided an update on DEMEC Day and noted the DEMEC Day resolution is provided in packets.

Light Up Navajo V –

Ms. Schlichting reminded everyone that a crew from the Town of Middletown and a Smyrna supervisor will be going to the Navajo Nation the week of April 21st. She encouraged members to follow us on Facebook as photos and information are posted.

COMMUNICATIONS & OUTREACH

Ms. Heather Contant, Director of Government and Community Relations, provided an update on DEMEC's 40101D grant application for advanced modeling technology. She also informed the board that DEMEC received a Department of Energy (DOE) Energy Futures planning grant as part of a joint application through the Beneficial Electrification League.

Informational monthly report provided in packets.

TRAINING & EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

Ms. Kendra Friel, Training and Events Coordinator, provided an update on Tovuti. She informed board members of what to expect in an upcoming email for board members to test the new learning management system ahead of the full launch to their staff in May.

Informational monthly report provided in packets.

SUSTAINABILITY & DEVELOPMENT

Informational monthly report provided in packets.

BUSINESS FROM THE FLOOR

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Board went into executive session at 10:24 a.m. upon motion by Newark, seconded by New Castle to discuss the following:

1. To discuss personnel actions, strategic business and commercial generation operations, dispatch, negotiations, and planning.
2. IT Update
3. Employee Handbook Update
4. Office Space Update
5. Credit Rating Discussion and Visits
6. Indian River RMR and DPL-S BRA Updates
7. Budget Amendment

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION

The Board ended executive session and returned to regular session at 12:01 p.m. upon motion by Milford, seconded by Newark, the motion passed unanimously.

ACTION AFTER EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion made by Newark, to amend the budgeted wholesale rate option #1 as discussed in executive session, seconded by Lewes.

SET NEXT MEETING DATES

The following meeting dates were set:

1. Thursday, May 9, 2024 – 10:00 a.m. (*Quarterly meeting, lunch to be provided*)
2. Thursday, June 13, 2024 - 10:00 a.m.
3. Thursday, July 11, 2024 – 10:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Board meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.