

Vice Chairman Anthony Agnitti called the meeting to order at 5:10 p.m. in the BELD Board Room as Chairman Reynolds was delayed in arriving. Those present at the meeting included Chairman Thomas Reynolds, Vice Chairman Anthony Agnitti, Secretary James Regan, General Manager William G. Bottiggi, Ken Stone and Joe Bracken, all of BELD. Chairman Reynolds arrived at 5:16 p.m.

I. Minutes of Prior Meetings

i. January 12, 2021 Open Meeting

Voted: on motion of Mr. Regan, to accept the minutes of January 12, 2021 Open Meeting as written. Mr. Agnitti stepped down and seconded. So voted.

II. Items for Action

None.

III. Items for Discussion

i. Coronavirus Update

Mr. Bottiggi explained that we had taken a step back in the schedule due to coronavirus holiday spread and we got through that period. We are back to full schedule work – there are some people who can work from home and are – but the crews are all back. We are spending a good amount of money to sanitize and on PPP. Mr. Stone keeps track of how much. Mr. Stone reported that the Town of Braintree just received their payment from the CARES Act and FEMA and he is waiting to hear from them on how much BELD would receive. He continued he was told that we would be receiving 25% from the CARES Act and 75% from FEMA.

Mr. Bottiggi said Town Hall had called BELD as they had some vaccinations available that they did not want to waste. We had to send the employees over within a thirty minute window. Nine employees were given the first dose of the vaccine. That was because there was extra. Hopefully, we will start getting vaccinated soon. Employees do not have to go through the town as there are other ways to get vaccinated.

ii. Potter II

Mr. Bottiggi reported that we have received over \$2.4 million of the \$2.5 million and there is only one more insurance that owes us a payment. We have a meeting scheduled tomorrow to talk to the company who is going to help us to open up the gas turbine, disassemble it and sell it for us. There is at least one company who wants it. Then we will continue to try and sell what we can before we attempt to do any demolition. Mr. Li has been talking with a company about the step-up transformer and they have offered \$200,000. There was discussion.

iii. Negotiations

Mr. Bottiggi explained that Management and the Union traded proposals. The Union gave a seven page document. He continued: both teams then met and went through the proposals and discussed. The managers met separately today and we pared it down to what Mr. Bottiggi thinks is something

reasonable. Management and the Union are going to meet again on Thursday. There was discussion.

Chairman Reynolds had come in during this discussion. Mr. Agnitti stepped down and made a motion for Mr. Reynolds to take over the meeting. Seconded by Mr. Regan. So voted.

IV. Personnel Update

Mr. Bottiggi reported that there may be some more retirements coming up – in addition to the two that he had reported on last month. These positions will be replaced – internally and possibly one from outside BELD.

V. Old Business (As Determined/Needed)

None.

VI. New Business (As Determined/Needed)

None.

VII. Public Participation (As Determined/Needed)

None.

VIII. Tabled Items

IX. Next Regular Meeting – Upcoming Meetings

- i. Tuesday, March 16, 2021 at 5:00 p.m.**

X. Executive Session (As Determined/Needed)

- i. To discuss trade secrets or confidential, competitively-sensitive or other proprietary information.**

Chairman Reynolds announced that the Board would be going into Executive Session to discuss trade secrets or confidential, competitively-sensitive or other proprietary information. He continued any decisions that we vote on will be announced when we come back into Open Session; if no votes are taken we will be adjourning.

Voted: on motion of Mr. Regan, seconded by Mr. Agnitti, to recess Open Session to go into Executive Session.

Chairman Reynolds announced a Roll Call Vote at 5:25 p.m.:

Mr. Agnitti – yes. Mr. Regan – yes. Mr. Reynolds – yes.

Executive Session commenced at 5:26 pm.

Chairman Reynolds re-opened the Open Session 6:09 p.m.

XI. Adjournment

Voted: on motion of Mr. Regan, seconded by Mr. Agnitti, to adjourn the meeting at 6:10 p.m. So voted.

James P. Regan
Secretary