

MINUTES OF A REGULAR BOARD MEETING
CITY OF BIG BEAR LAKE,
DEPARTMENT OF WATER AND POWER
BOARD OF WATER AND POWER COMMISSIONERS
November 05, 2024

OPEN SESSION

An Adjourned Regular Meeting of the City of Big Bear Lake, Department of Water and Power (DWP) Board of Commissioners was called to order at 10:00am on November 5, 2024, by Chair Bob Tarras.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Tarras, Chair
Barbara Willey, Vice-Chair
Craig Hjorth, Treasurer
Joe Cylwik, Commissioner
Jim Smith, Commissioner

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Tarras led the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC FORUM

None.

1. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

1.1 Motive Solar and Backup Generator Proposal

Commissioner Jim Smith asked for clarification on answers that were given to questions asked at the October 10th, 2024 Board Meeting. General Manager, Reggie Lamson and CFO, Nathan Statham explained that procurement of Motive as the Project vendor is to keep continuity of services across all DWP solar systems. Nathan further explained that California Government Code section 4217 provides specific exemptions from public contract procurement requirements for Energy Conservation Contracts. Under these provisions the Board of Commissioners is not required to put the project out to bid and is allowed broad discretion in awarding these types of contracts. Commissioner Smith questioned the solar portion of the Project being included as a separate line item in the budget for the Project. Nathan explained that the cost of the solar is included in the Project budget.

Commissioner Joe Cylwik expressed concerns regarding coordination between Motive and PBK's integration of electrical and solar. Reggie explained that these two companies and their representatives have maintained constant communication since December of 2023, and there are no concerns that they will not continue to do so.

Treasurer Craig Hjorth remarked that the Project proposal was missing information about the transfer switch. Reggie called Motive Representative Eli Edwards, who confirmed that the transfer switch is included in the proposal cost.

Motion made by Vice Chair Willey, seconded by Commissioner Cylwik, and carried 5-0 to award a design-build agreement with Motive Energy for the Garstin Solar and Backup Generator Project.

AYES: Cylwik, Hjorth, Smith, Tarras, Willey

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

At 10:43 a.m., Chair Tarras closed the Open Session.

At 10:53 a.m., Chair Tarras opened Closed Session.

2. CLOSED SESSION

2.1 Closed Session Pursuant to Section 54957, Public Employee Performance Evaluation

Title: General Manager

At 12:45 p.m., Chair Tarras closed the Closed Session and opened the Open Session with no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

No additional business came before the Board. At 12:46 p.m., Chair Tarras adjourned the meeting.

Sam Armstrong

Sam Armstrong, Board Secretary, DWP Board of Commissioners

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