

## **RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS**

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February 9, 2021

The Las Animas Municipal Light & Power Board met in regular session at 5:30 pm., Tuesday, February 9, 2021 in the City Council Chambers, with live streaming on Facebook. **Present** were Mayor Jim Collins, David Beebe, Jerry Maupin and Roberto Montoya. **Absent:** Bill Deal. Mayor Collins declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order. Superintendent Ron Clodfelter and Secretary Susan Morlan was also present. **Other Guests:** Rosa Prichard and Terry Kim, City Council Member.

**Citizen Participation:** None

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** Mr. Montoya made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda (Minutes, Vouchers, and Income Statement for January 2021). Mr. Maupin and Mr. Beebe seconded, motion carried.

**Superintendent's Report:** The January 2021 operations for the Las Animas Municipal Light & Power were as follows:

- We sent our semi-annual monitoring and the annual compliance certification reports for our "Title V" permit to the CDPHE on January 4<sup>th</sup>. The E.P.A. Also receives the annual compliance certification report which was also sent on January 4<sup>th</sup>.
- I reviewed and signed our Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure Plan (SPCC) also on January 4<sup>th</sup>. I review the plan and sign off on the signature page every January and July.
- The line crew replaced a security light for Public Works on their truck barn on January 5<sup>th</sup>.
- ARPA purchased on-line training from SD Myers on January 7<sup>th</sup>. This training covers maintenance and tests for the large Power Transformers in our Substation. There are 9, 2-hour on-line courses and 2, 3-hour webinars. The first course was held on the morning of January 25<sup>th</sup>.
- During the strong wind storm on January 25<sup>th</sup>, a fire started in the river bottom east of Fort Lyon. This is the same location as the 69KV line owned by Lamar that we use in an emergency. I was asked by the Sheriff's Office to provide any documentation of damages and estimated value. I contacted Lamar's Superintendent, informing him of the fire and the Sheriff's Office request. He had two of his crew inspect the line the morning of January 16<sup>th</sup>. I received an email from Houssin (Lamar's Superintendent) with 14 pictures and an estimate of \$7,794.00 in damages on January 9<sup>th</sup>.
- The Demolition Crew mobilized to Lamar the week of January 11<sup>th</sup>. The ARPA Demolition Committee will be meeting the first Friday of every month through the Demolition for updates.
- In closing, I would like to share with you the system wide load comparison between January 2020 and January 2021. In 2020 the load was 1,989,784 Kwhs. In 2021 the load was 1,905,325 Kwhs or approximately 4.3% less..

**Old Business:** AIR-MED CARE: At the January meeting, Jerry Maupin stated he wanted some input from the employees of the Light & Power before acting on becoming a business member. I put together a memo to all of the employees with the four options: (1) Employee Paid, (2) Employer Paid, (3) Payroll Deduction and (4) Census Plan. All of the employees stated that they would prefer option (2). I will repeat my statement with electricity; they would definitely need a Trauma Center. I also agree with Mayor Collin's statement in January, "If anyone had to be flown one time, it is worth having". I am also in

favor of the Light & Power adding the Board Members on the policy. Mr. Montoya made the motion to become a business member of AIR-Med Care for the employees and board members. Mr. Maupin seconded, motion carried.

**New Business:** ARPA RETIRED 2010 SERIES BONDS: On January 15<sup>th</sup>, as planned, ARPA retired the 2010 Series Bonds. The final Bond Payment was: Total Principal Due \$14,805,000.00, with Accrued Interest Due \$261,966.00, for a Total Amount Due of \$15,066,966.00.

**Other Business:** Mayor Collins gave a “heads up” from the State. Action-22 may require new construction of homes be equipped with electric heat.

Next meeting will be March 9, 2021, at 5:30 pm in the Council Chambers, live streaming.

**Adjourn:** With no further business, Mayor Collins declared the meeting adjourned at 5:48 PM.

Respectfully Submitted  
Susan Morlan  
Secretary for Light & Power