

DIGHTON ELECTRIC LIGHT DISTRICT

District Meeting

June 22, 2022

The meeting of the Dighton Electric Light District was called to order by Sue Medeiros at 10:00am on June 22, 2022 at the Old Town Hall.

Present: Sue Medeiros, Don Burt and James Ready.

Minutes:

Don Burt motioned, James Ready seconded and it was unanimously voted to approve the minutes of May 11, 2022 monthly meeting.

Warrants:

Don Burt motioned, James Ready seconded and the board unanimously voted to approve the vendor warrants for payment.

Bylaw/Rules & Regulations Review:

James Ready is concerned that Stonegate Landing subdivision would like the town to take them over. James stated the Electric District cannot tax Home Owners Associations (HOA's). He continued that Stonegate would follow our rules, use the light on our list. Need to get the model numbers of the lights Stonegate is currently using. Don stated they would go to town meeting if necessary. Mark Pacheco, Town Clerk and Tina Bragga, Water Clerk/Treasurer will inform the Board if they hear anything in regards to the subdivision.

James motioned to accept the Bylaws/Rules & Regulations as previously discussed, Don Burt seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve.

Fiscal 2023 Budget:

The Board discussed that additional funds were added to the audit line. There has not been an audit performed in many years and with the retirement the District's Clerk/Treasurer Mary Hathaway now is a good time. Electric line was increased, postage and office supply lines were decreased. James motioned, Don seconded and the Board unanimously voted to approve the Fiscal 2023 Budget of \$129,322.91.

Correspondence

Stonegate Landing – Modification:

Change to Stonegate Landing plans were presented to inform the Board.

Hunters Hill – Modification:

The Board discussed the development and asked if anyone should hear any activity to let the Board know. James motioned to table, Don seconded.

Greg Logan – Request for light off for a day:

Sue Medeiros read the letter submitted to the Board from Greg Logan, attached. Mr. Logan is requesting to have the light at the edge of his property on Water Street be turned off from July 1st to the 5th. Don stated the Electric District is allowed to turn off 10% of the lights per year.

James stated that if abutters need to be notified when a street light is being added, that they should also be notified when someone requested to have one shut off. There is a process in the District bylaws to notify abutters by certified mail at the requester expense. The Board was also concerned that shutting the light off is a safety issue.

James Motioned, Don Seconded that the light cannot be shut off at this time.

Resignation Letter:

Sue read the resignation letter of James Ready from the Board of the Electric Light District, attached. Sue stated that James will be stepping down. His knowledge, background and years of service to the Electric District will be missed. The Board thanked James for his dedication and appreciated his time on the Board.

Don motioned, Sue seconded and it was unanimously voted to accept James Ready's resignation from the Board of the Dighton Electric Light District.

Open Seat on the Board:

Mark Pacheco was present in regards to the open seat.

Sue disclosed the Mark Pacheco had taken over her position as Town Clerk when she retired.

Sue feels that Mark will be an asset to the Electric Board.

Don motioned to appoint Mark Pacheco to fill the open seat on the Electric Board, to finish the two year term left open from James Ready's resignation. Sue seconded the motion and all were in favor.

Mark thanked the Board and looks forward to helping.

Public Input: None

Next meeting of the Dighton Electric Light District will be July 13nd at 10:00am at the Old Town Hall.

Motion was made to adjourn at 10:35am.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Bragga
Treasurer/Clerk


Chairman Sue Medeiros


Commissioner Don Burt


Commissioner Mark Pacheco