

Reading Municipal Light Board of Commissioners
Executive Session
230 Ash Street
Reading, MA 01867
November 16, 2005

Start Time of Executive Session: 9:08 p.m.

End Time of Executive Session: 10:03 p.m.

Attendees:

Commissioners: Herlihy, Pacino, Soli, Kearns and Hahn

RMLD Staff: Mr. Cameron

Mses. Antonio and Parenteau

Chairman Herlihy called the meeting to order at 9:08 p.m.

Executive Session Minutes

September 21, 2005

Mr. Hahn made a motion seconded by Mr. Pacino to approve the Executive Session meeting minutes of September 21, 2005 as presented.

Motion carried 5:0:0.

Legal Update

Mr. Cameron said that he is updating the Board on the lawyers the Department utilizes and the status of the current cases they are working on.

Ray Couture

Mr. Cameron said that Ray Couture is a local lawyer the Department uses on easement issues. Currently, the Department has one easement issue outstanding, which is an underground development Inwood Development on West Street. Mr. Cameron explained that in the past, the Department was involved with an easement suit on such property and that the RMLD received a ruling on this from a judge relative to this. The current issue concerns access for the developer. In the current situation RMLD will be providing electric service to them as fringe customers. Financially, the Department would derive \$200,00 to \$300,000 from these customers. Mr. Cameron stated the easement language that exists is not favorable to the developer and will cost money.

Mr. Pacino suggested to have the costs covered by the developer.

Discussion ensued about how this easement could be settled.

Rubin and Rudman

Mr. Cameron said that Rubin and Rudman works on power supply issues. They are currently working on Russell biomass.

Choate Hall & Stewart LLP

Ms. Antonio updated the Board on the six outstanding grievances the Department currently has. The grievances are as follows: Line Meter Station, grievance last April 6 relative to seniority and unpaid leave, Line Meter Station, grievance last October 26 overtime past practice, twenty four hours of work and pay for such hours, Unfair Labor Practice, Meter Department on October 31 on efficiency of work on the flow of service orders the Customer Service representatives because work was taken away from them and put into the Meter Department, CT, Customer Service, Class Action due to storm work in which two Customer Representatives were sent home. CT, Customer Service Class Action, November 29 for not posting a Customer Service position to replace a position and Professional Union to settle the Unfair Labor Practice on the vehicle issue waiting on the final settlement.

Duncan & Allen

Mr. Cameron said this is the Department's Washington legal counsel. Issues that were discussed were Locational Installed Capacity, New England States Council Electricity and RMR agreements.

Motion to Adjourn

At 10:03 p.m. Mr. Soli made a motion seconded by Mr. Pacino to return to Regular Session.

Motion carried 5:0:0.

Chairman Herlihy called for a poll of the vote:

Mr. Hahn, Aye; Mr. Soli, Aye; Mr. Herlihy, Aye; Mr. Pacino, Aye, and Ms. Kearns, Aye

A true copy of the RMLD Board of Commissioners minutes as approved by a majority of the Commission.

Ellen C. Kearns
Secretary