

Reading Municipal Light Board of Commissioners
Executive Session
230 Ash Street
Reading, MA 01867
February 25, 2009

Start Time of Executive Session: 9:45 p.m.
End Time of Executive Session: 10:10 p.m.

Attendees:

Richard Hahn, Chair
Robert Soli, Secretary

Mary Ellen O'Neill, Vice Chair
Ellen Kearns, Commissioner

Staff:

Vinnie Cameron, General Manager

Beth Ellen Antonio, Human Resources Manager

January 28, 2009 Executive Session Meeting Minutes

Mr. Soli made a motion seconded by Ms. Kearns that the Executive Session meeting minutes of January 28, 2009, be approved with changes.

Motion carried 4:0:0.

Barbas Warehouse Update

Mr. Cameron updated the Board on the information requested by the Board at the January 28, 2009 Executive Session meeting concerning the possible acquisition of property adjacent to the southeast corner of the RMLD's 230 Ash Street property.

Mr. Cameron reported that he was informed that the property tax on the available land was approximately \$4,000 annually. Mr. Cameron also said that the process for the purchase of the property would be procured according to Chapter 164 of the Massachusetts General Laws. Mr. Cameron told the Board that he had a conversation with Reading Town Manager Peter Hechenbleikner about the possible land acquisition. Mr. Hechenbleikner told Mr. Cameron that he supported the acquisition by the RMLD and he did not think the Town of Reading would ask for an increase in the Return to the Town of Reading.

Discussion followed.

Power Supply Update

Mr. Cameron pointed out that the RMLD has given power supply updates to the Operating and Capital Budget Committee, the Power Contracts, Rate Setting, Green Power Committee, and the Citizens' Advisory Board in the past two weeks. Since the Board has heard the power supply update they agreed to skip this item.

Legal Update, Choate, Hall, and Stewart Bill

Ms. Antonio gave the Board an explanation of the last Choate, Hall and Stewart bill received by the RMLD.

Contract Negotiation Update

Mr. Cameron said that the Board should start thinking about the upcoming union negotiations with all three unions. Mr. Cameron said that he needs guidance as to what the Board is considering for raises. Mr. Cameron said that he will discuss this further with the Board at the next meeting.

Motion to Adjourn

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

Motion carried 4:0:0.

Chair Hahn called for a poll of the vote:

Ms. Kearns, Aye; Mr. Hahn, Aye; Ms. O'Neill, Aye; and Mr. Soli, Aye.

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

Robert Soli
Secretary, RMLD Board of Commissioners