



Town of Reading Meeting Posting with Agenda

Board - Committee - Commission - Council:

RMLD Board of Commissioners

Date: 2021-09-23

Time: 6:30 PM

Building:

Location:

Address:

Agenda:

Purpose: General Business

Meeting Called By: Robert Coulter, Chair

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Topics of Discussion:

PER GOVERNOR BAKER'S MARCH 10, 2020, ORDER SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN MEETING LAW, G.L. c. 30A, §20 AND THE JUNE 16, 2021, ACT EXTENDING CERTAIN COVID-19 MEASURES, THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD REMOTELY VIA ZOOM.

Public participation at this meeting:

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JOINT MEETING WITH RMLD CITIZENS' ADVISORY BOARD

1. Call Meeting to Order – Chair Coulter (Board of Commissioners) and Chair Small (Citizens' Advisory Board)

Code of Conduct: The RMLD Board of Commissioners recognizes the importance of hearing public comment, at the discretion of the Chair, on items on the official agenda. We ask that all questions or comments from the public be directed to the Chair and that all parties, including members of the RMLD Board, act in a professional and courteous manner when addressing the Board or responding to comments. Once recognized by the Chair, all persons addressing the Board shall state their name and address prior to speaking. It is the role of the Chair to maintain order in all public comment or ensuing discussion.

2. Public Comment – Chair Coulter
 - Citizens' Advisory Board
 - Liaisons to RMLD Board
 - Public Comment

This Agenda has been prepared in advance and represents a listing of topics that the chair reasonably anticipates will be discussed at the meeting. However the agenda does not necessarily include all matters which may be taken up at this meeting.



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3. Approval of Board Minutes - (Attachment 1) – **ACTION ITEM** – Chair Coulter
Board of Commissioners Suggested Motion: Move that the Board of Commissioners approve the meeting minutes of the June 3, 2021, and June 22, 2021, meetings on the recommendation of the General Manager.
4. Report on Northeast Public Power Association (NEPPA) 2021 Conference –
Commissioner Pacino
5. General Manager’s Report - Ms. O’Brien, General Manager
 - Report on Community Initiatives
 - Budget Update / Rate Status
 - Green Communities
 - Rack Construction at North Reading Substation
 - GTL Potential Grant
 - Thermal Energy Storage
6. Class Cost of Service Study Summary and Rates Presentation (Attachment 2) -**ACTION ITEM**
- Mr. Phipps, Director of Integrated Resources

Citizens’ Advisory Board Suggested Motion: New Renewable Choice Rate

Move that the Citizens’ Advisory Board recommend that the Board of Commissioners vote to accept the General Manager’s recommendation to establish a new Renewable Choice Rate, effective on billings on or after January 1st, 2022, per the MDPU 294 rate sheet.

Board of Commissioners Suggested Motion: New Renewable Choice Rate

Move that the Board of Commissioners, on the recommendation of the Citizens’ Advisory Board, vote to accept the General Manager’s recommendation to establish a new Renewable Choice Rate effective on billings on or after January 1st, 2022, per the MDPU 294 rate sheet.

Citizens’ Advisory Board Suggested Motion: Solar Choice Rider Rate

Move that the Citizens’ Advisory Board recommend that the Board of Commissioners vote to accept the General Manager’s recommendation to replace the current MDPU 278 rate with MDPU 295, Solar Choice Rider Rate, effective on billings on or before January 1st, 2022.

Board of Commissioners Suggested Motion: Solar Choice Rider Rate

Move that the Board of Commissioners, on the recommendation of the Citizens’ Advisory Board, vote to accept the General Manager’s recommendation to replace the current MDPU 278 rate with MDPU 295, Solar Choice Rider Rate, effective on billings on or before January 1st, 2022.

7. Power Supply Solar Opportunity (Attachment 3) – **ACTION ITEM** - Mr. Phipps, Director of Integrated Resources

Citizens’ Advisory Board Suggested Motion: Power Supply Solar Opportunity

Move that the Citizens’ Advisory Board recommend that the Board of Commissioners vote to accept the General Manager’s recommendation to execute a contract with D. E.



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Shaw Renewable Investments for energy, including associated certificates, from a to be built solar facility in southern New England.

Board of Commissioners Suggested Motion: Power Supply Solar Opportunity

Move that the Board of Commissioners, on the recommendation of the Citizens' Advisory Board, vote to accept the General Manager's recommendation to execute a contract with D. E. Shaw Renewable Investments for energy, including associated certificates, from a to be built solar facility in southern New England.

8. Scheduling – Chair Coulter (Board of Commissioners) and Chair Small (Citizens' Advisory Board)

Board of Commissioners

- Subsequent RMLD Board Meetings:
 - Thursday, October 21, 2021
- CAB Meeting Coverage: (October) Ms. Bitá
AP: Mr. Pacino; Payroll: Chair Coulter

Citizens' Advisory Board

- Subsequent CAB Meetings – 2022 Budget Review
- BOC Meeting Coverage for October

9. Adjournment – Chair Coulter (Board of Commissioners) and
Chair Small (Citizens' Advisory Board) - **ACTION ITEM**

Citizens' Advisory Board Suggested Motion:

Move that the Citizens' Advisory Board adjourn regular session.

Board of Commissioners Suggested Motion:

Move that the Board of Commissioners adjourn regular session.

BOARD MATERIALS AVAILABLE BUT NOT DISCUSSED

- Accounts Payable / Payroll Questions through pay date 9/13/2021
- Financial Update through July 2021
- Surplus and Scrap Material Report August 2021