## **Board - Committee - Commission - Council:**

RMLD Board of Commissioners

Date: 2022-12-15 Time: 6:30 PM

Building: Reading Municipal Light Building Location: Winfred Spurr Audio Visual Room

Address: 230 Ash Street Agenda:

Purpose: General Business Meeting Called By: Chair Bita, Chair

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All Meeting Postings must be submitted in typed format; handwritten notices will not be accepted.

## **Topics of Discussion:**

PER GOVERNOR BAKER'S MARCH 10, 2020, ORDER SUSPENDING CERTAIN PROVISIONS OF THE OPEN MEETING LAW, G.L. c. 30A, §20 THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD IN PERSON, REMOTELY AND STREAMED ON RCTV AND YOUTUBE.

# Public participation at this meeting:

This meeting will be held remotely on Zoom and streamed live on RCTV and YouTube. https://www.youtube.com/c/RCTVStudios/videos?view=57.

For public participation on Zoom please email <a href="mailto:emorse@rmld.com">emorse@rmld.com</a>. Please include your full name and address. Comments and questions will be monitored during the meeting.

1. Call Meeting to Order - M. Bita, Chair

**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. Once recognized by the Chair, all persons addressing the Board shall state their name and address prior to speaking. It the role of the Chair to maintain order in all public comment or ensuing discussion.

- 2. Public Comment M. Bita, Chair
  - Citizens' Advisory Board
  - Liaisons to the RMLD Board
  - Public Comment
- 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes- Attachment 1 ACTION ITEM M. Bita, Chair

**Suggested Motion**: Move that the RMLD Board of Commissioners approve the minutes of the June 23, 2022, meeting on the recommendation of the General Manager.

4. Report on the Citizens' Advisory Board Meeting - M. Bita, Chair

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.



- 5. Integrated Resources Division Report Attachment 2 G. Phipps, General Manager
- 6. 2023 Rates Attachment 3 ACTION ITEM G. Phipps, General Manager

**<u>Suggested Motion:</u>** 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 following MDPU rates effective on billings on or after March 1<sup>st,</sup> 2023.

- Replace 296 Residential Schedule A with 301
- Replace 299 Residential Time of Use Schedule A2 with 302
- Replace 297 Commercial Schedule C with 303
- Replace 298 Industrial Time of Use Schedule I with 304
- Replace 300 School Schedule SCH with 305
- 7. IT Division Report Attachment 4 J. Pelletier, Director of IT
- 8. General Manager's Report G. Phipps, General Manager
  - Talent Acquisition and Talent Management
  - Employee Survey Update
- 9. Policy Review Attachment 5 ACTION ITEM G. Phipps, General Manager
  - Policy 13 Facility Use

**<u>Suggested Motion</u>**: Move that the RMLD Board of Commissioners approve Policy 13: Facility Use (Revision 6), as presented, on the recommendation of the General Manager.

- 10. Procurement Requests for Board Approval Attachment 6 **ACTION ITEM** H. Jaffari, Director of E&O
  - IFP 2022-45 for 15kV, 556 KCMIL Aerial Spacer Cable and .052 Covered Messenger

**Suggested Motion:** Move that IFP 2022-45 for 15kV, 556 KCMIL Aerial Spacer Cable and .052 Covered Messenger be awarded to: Arthur J. Hurley Company, Inc. for a total of \$300,600, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 164 § 56D, on the recommendation of the General Manager.

11. Scheduling - Attachment 7 - M. Bita, Chair

# **Subsequent Board Meetings**

- Thursday January 19th, 2023, 7:30 PM
- Wednesday February 15, 2023, 7:30 PM
- Thursday March 16, 2023, 7:30 PM
- Thursday April 20, 2023, 7:30 PM
- Thursday May 18, 2023, 7:30 PM
- Thursday June 15, 2023, 7:30 PM

#### 2023 Warrant Schedule

12. Executive Session - ACTION ITEM - M. Bita, Chair

**Suggested Motion**: Move that the RMLD Board of Commissioners go into Executive Session pursuant to Massachusetts G.L. c.164 section 47D, exemption from public records and open meeting requirements in certain instances, to discuss the General Manager contract and strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares and return to regular session, for the sole purpose of adjournment. Note: Roll call vote required.

13. Adjournment - ACTION ITEM - M. Bita, Chair

**<u>Suggested</u>** Motion: Move that the Board of Commissioners adjourn regular session. Note: Roll call vote required.

## **BOARD MATERIALS AVAILABLE BUT NOT DISCUSSED**

Accounts Payable / Payroll Questions through December 12, 2022, August and September 2022 Preliminary Financials Surplus and Scrap Material Report November 2022