



Town of Reading Meeting Posting with Agenda

Board - Committee - Commission - Council:

RMLD Board of Commissioners

Date: 2023-07-20

Time: 7:30 PM

Building: Reading Municipal Light Building

Location: Winfred Spurr Audio Visual Room

Address: 230 Ash Street

Agenda:

Purpose: General Business

Meeting Called By: Philip B. Pacino, Chair

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

Topics of Discussion:

ON MARCH 29, 2023, GOVERNOR HEALEY SIGNED INTO LAW A SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET BILL WHICH, AMONG OTHER THINGS, EXTENDS THE TEMPORARY PROVISIONS PERTAINING TO THE OPEN MEETING LAW TO MARCH 31, 2025.

THIS MEETING WILL HELD IN PERSON, REMOTELY, AND STREAMED LIVE ON RCTV AND YOUTUBE: <https://www.youtube.com/c/RCTVStudios/videos?view=57>.

FOR REMOTE AND/OR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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1. Call Meeting to Order – P. Pacino, 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 - P. Pacino, Chair
3. Commissioner Vacancy - Interim Appointment Update – P. Pacino, Chair; G. Phipps, General Manager
4. Approval of Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes (attachment 1) – P. Pacino, Chair

Suggested Motion: Move that the RMLD Board of Commissioners approve the January 5, 2023, January 13, 2023, and January 18, 2023, open session meeting minutes, as

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presented, on the recommendation of the General Manager and the Board Secretary.

5. Reading Town Charter Review Committee Appointment (attachment 2)– P. Pacino, Chair.

Suggested Motion: Move that the RMLD Board of Commissioners appoint ____ to serve in an ex-officio capacity on the Town of Reading Charter Review Committee.

6. Integrated Resources Report (attachment 3) – B. Bullock, Director of IRD

Battery Storage

Suggested Motion: Move that the RMLD Board of Commissioners, on the recommendation of the Citizen’s Advisory Board, vote to accept the General Manager’s recommendation to contract Citizen’s Energy under an Energy Services Agreement for battery storage services connected to RMLD distribution network, as part of RMLD’s peak load reduction program

Rates

Suggested Motion: Move that the Board of Commissioners, on the recommendation of the Citizens’ Advisory Board, vote to accept the General Manager’s recommendation to create the following MDPU rates effective for billings on or after August 1, 2023.

- Economic Development Rate
- 308 Industrial Coincident Peak Rate

7. Approval of CY23 Capital Budget Increases (attachment 4) – G. Phipps, General Manager

Power Distribution Transformers

Suggested Motion: Move that the RMLD Board of Commissioners, on the recommendation of the Citizens’ Advisory Board, approve an additional five (5) million dollar increase for power distribution transformers for the new Wilmington Substation Project, originally approved as project 105 page 63-64 of the CY23 Capital Budget on the recommendation of the General Manager.

Two (2) Material Handler Trucks with Electric Drive PTO System

Suggested Motion: Move that the RMLD Board of Commissioners, on the recommendation of the Citizens’ Advisory Board, approve an additional 250,000 dollar increase to purchase (2) materials handler trucks with electric drive PTO systems, instead of (1) material handler truck and (1) digger derrick, within the Rolling Stock Replacement Program, originally approved as project 118, pages 27- 28, of the CY23 Capital Budget upon the recommendation of the General Manager.

8. Procurement Requests for Board Approval (attachment 5) - G. Phipps, General Manager

IFP 2023-14 for Two (2) 115-13.8 kV Power Transformers

Suggested Motion: Move that IFP 2023-14 for Two (2) 115-13.8 kV Power Transformers be awarded to: Virginia Transformer Corp. for \$7,115,338, pursuant to M.G.L. c. 164 § 56D, on the recommendation of the General Manager.

IFP 2023-34 Two (2) Material Handler Trucks with Electric Drive PTO System

Suggested Motion: Move that proposal IFP 2023-34 for Two (2) Material Handler Trucks with Electric Drive PTO System be awarded to: James A. Kiley Company for

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\$992,158 pursuant to M.G.L. c. 164, § 56D, on the recommendation of the General Manager.

IFP 2023-35 - 750 MCM 15kV Power Cable

Suggested Motion: Move that IFP 2023-35 for 750 MCM 15kV Power Cable be awarded to: Arthur J. Hurley Company, Inc. for \$255,717 pursuant to M.G.L. c. 164 § 56D, on the recommendation of the General Manager.

9. Personnel Report (attachment 6) – Sarah Harrington, Director of Human Resources
10. General Manager’s Report – G. Phipps, General Manager
11. Scheduling

Subsequent BoC Meetings

Thursday September 14, 2023, 7:30 PM – Proposed Change: Thursday Sept 28th, 2023.
Thursday October 19, 2023, 7:30 PM
Thursday November 16, 2023, 7:30 PM
Thursday December 14, 2023, 7:30 PM

Subsequent CAB Meetings

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Future MEAM meetings

Wednesday September 20, 2023 (Open)
Wednesday November 15, 2023 (Open)

12. Adjournment **ACTION ITEM**

Suggested 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 July 14, 2023
Surplus and Scrap Material Report June 2023
Financials January – April and May 2023