

The minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Green Island Power Authority held on Monday, July 19, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at the Green Island Municipal Center, 19 George Street, Green Island, New York.

Chairman John J. Brown called the meeting to order.

Chairman Brown, Trustees Reinoehl, Greaves, McNulty-Ryan and Attorney Legnard.

Also, in attendance: Kristin M. Swinton, CEO and David Paterniani, CFO.

Absent: Vice Chairman Cocca.

On a motion by Trustee Greaves seconded by Trustee McNulty-Ryan and carried, to excuse Vice Chairman Cocca. All ayes.

Chairman Brown opened Public Forum No. 1 for any comments.

No comments.

Chairman Brown closed Public Forum No. 1.

On a motion by Trustee Reinoehl seconded Trustee Greaves and carried, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 21, 2010. All ayes.

Chairman Brown wanted to inform the board members that a letter from Senator Richard Brodsky was received regarding the payment of contingent compensation to any employee, officer, director, or any other persons associated with GIPA. David Paterniani responded to the correspondence stating that we do not provide any additional compensation other than the base salaries that our incorporated in our annual budget and adopted by the board.

On a motion by Trustee McNulty-Ryan seconded by Trustee Greaves and carried, to approve the claims as submitted in the amount of \$287,013.50, along with the monthly Addendum amount of \$11,095.01. All ayes.

On a motion by Trustee Greaves seconded by Trustee Reinoehl and carried, to approve the Chief Financial Officer's report as submitted. All ayes.

On a motion by Trustee McNulty-Ryan seconded by Trustee Reinoehl and carried, to accept the adjustments to the July 2010 electric billing as presented. All ayes.

Chairman Brown stated that the next item No. 9 he is going to ask Attorney Legnard to respond to this item. The NYS Office of the State Comptroller has requested establishing for each position the standard workday.

Attorney Legnard stated that this has to do with the State Comptroller's review of pension plans and pension participation by public employees and they have found instances where people have reported far more hours than they actually and they prepared these forms for reporting both what the standard work day is and what the standard work week is and it is our obligation to tell them of what the standard work day is for each position and what the standard work week is in terms

of hours. These forms have been prepared by Tina Burns and she has had numerous consultations with the Comptroller's office on it and how they are to be completed. It may be misleading with the Trustee's listed as 6 hours, but the minimum you can put is 6 hours but when she files the monthly report it is going to be a fraction of that based on the calculations that she performs.

Chairman Brown asked the board members if they had any questions for Attorney Legnard?

No questions from the board members.

On a motion by Trustee McNulty-Ryan seconded by Trustee Greaves and carried, to approve the Standard Work Day and Reporting Resolution for elected and appointed officials as mandated by NYS Retirement. All ayes.

Chairman Brown stated that the next resolution merely sets for each position the daily work hours and cumulative weekly.

On a motion by Trustee Greaves seconded by Trustee Reinoehl and carried, to adopt the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED, the Board of Trustees of the Green Island Power Authority hereby establishes the Standard Work Day for the listed Job Positions, in accordance with Regulation 315.4 of the New York State and Local Retirement System.

### **Green Island Power Authority**

<u>Job Position:</u>	<u>Standard Work Day:</u>
Board Members	6
Chairman	8
Chief Executive Officer	8
Chief Fiscal Officer	8
Attorney	8
Superintendent	8
Lineman	8
Lineman Apprentice	8
Laborer	8
Billing Department Supervisor	8
Billing Clerk	7

Chairman Brown stated that he has two (2) items under Other Business and the first one is contract for Cornerstone, which has been GIPA's telephone provider for a number of years and Dave was contacted by a competing entity and it was an attractive proposal and we called Cornerstone in and Dave met with them and they have given us a counter proposal and in order to get a reduced rate, which would save us \$1,800 a year and our computer tech has recommended that we stay with Cornerstone. Not only are we following the recommendation of our tech person, but we are also getting a reduced rate.

Chairman Brown asked if we could have a motion to approve a two (2) year contract with Cornerstone for a reduced cost.

On a motion by Trustee McNulty-Ryan seconded by Trustee Reinoehl and carried, to approve the renewal of contract with Cornerstone Telephone Company for telephone service for a two-year contract period with a savings \$1,800 per year to the Green Island Power Authority. All ayes.

Chairman Brown stated that the other item pertained to the Hydro Plant exterior switchgear was hit by lightning on Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010. The plant has been down unfortunately and rates are up. Also, for your information our revenues are doing well in this budget year so far, our sales of electric within the community is up and also the daily rate that we are getting for our hydro sales is coming back. Since the lightning struck the plant on Saturday, it has been down and we expect back up by tomorrow afternoon, July 20<sup>th</sup>. So, it is a temporary fix and we will have to order a new switchgear and hopefully, we will be able to recoup some of this money from insurance.

Chairman Brown asked if there were any questions.

No questions or comments.

Chairman Brown opened Public Forum No. 2 for any comments.

No comments.

Chairman Brown closed Public Forum No. 2.

On a motion by Trustee McNulty-Ryan seconded by Trustee Greaves and carried, to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 p.m. All ayes.