



HUALAPAI TRIBAL UTILITY AUTHORITY BOARD MEETING MINUTES

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1. CALL TO ORDER

CHAIR, MR. VAUGHN, CALLED MEETING TO ORDER AT 9:48 AM

2 – ROLL CALL

BOARD MEMBERS

CHARLES VAUGHN, CHAIRMAN – PRESENT
JOE MONTANA, VICE CHAIRMAN – PRESENT
SECRETARY - LANA KELLER ROBINETT- ABSENT
TREASURER - JASON DAVIS-PRESENT
RORY MAJENTY – PRESENT VIA TELEPHONE

SUPPORT PERSONNEL AND GUEST(s)

BILL CYR, GENERAL MANAGER
KEVIN DAVIDSON, PLANNING DIRECTOR

3. REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES

- a) JUNE 23,2022

MOTION TO APPROVE JUNE 23, 2022, BOARD MEETING MINUTES BY MR. VAUGHN, SECOND BY MR. MONTANA, VOTE (4-0-1)

4. APPROVAL OF INVOICES

- a) BBC CONSULTING – GENERAL MANAGER SERVICES

MOTION TO APPROVE BBC CONSULTING INVOICE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,128.40 BY MR. MONTANA, SECOND BY MR. DAVIS, VOTE (3-0-0)

5. FINANCIAL REVIEW OF HTUA BUDGET / EXPENSES YEAR TO DATE

THE BOARD REVIEWED THE EXPENDITURES TO DATE

6. BOARD MEMBER ELECTED TO COUNCIL –FORCED BOARD VACANCY

- a) CONSIDERATION OF A NEW HTUA BOARD CHAIR

WILL DISCUSS AT NEXT BOARD MEETING –MR. VAUGHN HAS NOT BEEN SWORN INTO TRIBAL COUNCIL YET

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7. GCW SOLAR –PROJECT UPDATE

- a) **GENERAL UPDATE**
- b) **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL - CATERPILLAR GENERATOR UPGRADE**

THE BOARD WAS UPDATED ON THE PROJECT STATUS

- SOLAR PANELS AND MOUNTING STRUCTURES BY END OF THIS YEAR
- BALANCE OF PROJECT BY END OF 2ND QUARTER 2023
- MICRO GRID CONNECTION –BY END OF FIRST QUARTER 2022
- IMMEDIATE NEED TO UPGRADE THE CONTROLS FOR THE EXISTING GENERATORS MUST BE UPGRADED TO INTERFACE WITH THE SOLAR SYSTEM

AFTER REVIEWING THE PROJECT'S BUDGET, AND FINDING THAT SUFFICIENT FUNDS REMAINED FOR THE PURCHASE OF THE NEW CONTROLS FOR THE EXISTING GENERATORS, A MOTION BY MR. MONTANNA AND A SECOND BY MR. DAVIS, THE BOARD APPROVED THE EXPENDITURE OF \$105,000 FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF NEW GENERATOR CONTROLS ON 3, 750 KW GENERATORS. VOTE (3-0-0)

8. GCW POWERLINE

- a) **DISCUSSIONS WITH UNISOURCE ENERGY SERVICES (UNES) ON DOLAN SPRINGS INTERCONNECTION**
 - i. **EMAIL THREAD**
 - ii. **CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL WITH UNES FOR \$21,150 TO FUND UPDATE OF 2019 UNES TRANSMISSION INTERCONNECTION IMPACT STUDY**
 - iii. **COPY OF JUNE 18, 2019, UNES TRANSMISSION INTERCONNECTION IMPACT STUDY**

UNES INFORMED HTUA THAT THE SYTEM IMPACT STUDY CONDUCTED IN 2019 NEEDS TO BE UPDATED TO REFLECT CURRENT GRID DEMANDS ON UNES TRANSMISSION SYSTEM.

ON A MOTION BY MR. MONTANNA AND A SECOND BY MR. DAVIS THE BOARD APPROVED THE EXPENDITURE OF \$21,150 TO FUND THE UPDAAED SYSTEM IMPACT STUDY FROM UNES. VOTE (3-0-0)

- b) **DISCUSSION OF CONVERSATIONS WITH LANDOWNER ON NEEDED RIGHT-OF-WAY—APPROVAL OF AMOUNT TO OFFER LANDOWNERS**

THE BOARD INSTRUCTED MR. DAVIDSON TO CONTINUE NEGOTIATINS WITH THE PRIVATE LANDOWNER --- CURRENT HTUA OFFER \$3,000. MR. DAVIDSON TO REPORT BACK TO BOARD AT NEXT MEETING.

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9. OPEN

10. WAPA RELATED

a) MARKET POWER – FORWARDS

THE BOARD REVIEWED THE FUTURE COST OF POWER – BENCHMARK PALO VERDE

11. OTHER

a) TRIBAL COUNCIL UPDATE – KEVIN

MR. DAVIDSON UPDATED THE BOARD ON RECENT COUNCIL ACTIONS – NUMBER 1 ON THE LIST APPEARS TO BE THE SKATE PARK

b) SELECT DATES FOR VISIT/TOUR WITH FMIT UTILITY AHA MACAV POWER SERVICE – (AMPS)

THE TOUR OF AMPS WILL BE SCHEDULED FOR A MONDAY MORNING, AUGUST 8TH AT 10 AM. MR. CYR WILL CHECK ON AMPS AVAILABILITY

c) ANNOUNCEMENT RELATED TO TRIBAL WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATION – POSSIBLE FUNDING?

THE BOARD REVIEWED THE ANNOUNCEMENT

d) Meet with Economic Development Administration (EDA) representative on July 25th or 26th

EDA WILL BE ON SITE (GCW) FOR MEETING ON THE 25TH

e) OTHER

MR. DAVIDSON PRESENTED MR. VAUGHN WITH A PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION FOR ALL OF THE YEARS AND WORK THAT MR. VAUGHN HAS CONTRIBUTED TO HTUA. BOARD MEMBERS ALSO ARTICULATED THEIR APPRECIATION AND WISHED MR. VAUGHN CONTINUED SUCCESS WITH HIS PENDING PARTICIPATION AS A HUALAPAI TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBER.

12. SET TIME AND LOCATION FOR NEXT MEETING

NEXT MEETING AUGUST 25TH 9:30 AM WELLNESS CENTER, IF AVAILABLE

13. ADJOURN

THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 11:45 AM