Hull Municipal Light Plant Board Meeting Held October 19th, 2023

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Attendees: Pat Cannon, Jake Vaillancourt, Stephanie-Landry, Mike Schmitt, Panes Tokadjian, Thomas Burns, Dan Ciccariello, Anne Finley, Jennifer Constable
Next meeting Nov 30. No meeting is planned for December 2023.

Opened up the meeting at 6:31 PM. Four out of five members of the board were present.

Operations Manager report:

Regarding the temporary generators, management met with Milton Cat about staging the six generators. They are targeting delivery the week before Thanksgiving. Hull wind I decommissioning bid has been advertised. Three different contractors have expressed interest. Final bids are due December 14.

NISC (billing software modernization initiative):

Anne is managing this project. All of the staff is spending two hours each Tuesday learning the new software. We asked about outreach on the upcoming transition to the new billing software. We now have a marketing and outreach plan to prepare our ratepayers well ahead of the transition. Public communications will be starting in early 2024.

A member of the public asked what our smart meters can do in terms of time-of-use billing. It was confirmed to them that the smart meters, coupled with our new billing software, do enable the light plant to use the smart meters for time-of-use rates. However, Hull does not have a time-of-use rate at this time.

Hull Wind II's new breaker is scheduled to arrive next week. It was found on eBay and is shipping from China. It is a 600-volt breaker in a molded case.

Adopt a Lamp Post (which is available on the town of Hull's website) campaign has raised over \$12,000 to date. The funds will be used for holiday lighting and lamppost decorations.

MMWEC is conducting a rate study for Hull now and should be able to present the results in January 2024.

In our Septmeber meeting Panos indicated he is going to reach out to the town's attorney regarding the research on an easement or record indicating transfer of ownership to the town. (No status update is available in this meeting).

Under the topic of old business, Stephanie Landry asked about the possibility of selling Hull Light gift cards. The updated billing software on this will enable us to do that.

Board member Thomas Burns had to leave early at 6:41 PM.