

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
OF LOUISIANA ENERGY AND POWER AUTHORITY (LEPA) HELD AT
THE OFFICES OF LEPA IN LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA ON JANUARY 20, 2017**

The members of the Board of Directors held a meeting on January 20, 2017, at the LEPA Administrative Building, 210 Venture Way, Lafayette, Louisiana after due notice of said meeting.

There were present the following directors (or alternate directors where indicated):

Mayor Mark Piazza, Director, representing City of Abbeville;
Mr. Mike Marcotte, Director, representing the City of Alexandria;
Mr. Al Levron, Director, representing the City of Houma;
Mr. Jeffrey Stewart, Alternate Director, representing the City of Lafayette;
Mayor Tommy Davis, Director, representing the City of Minden;
Mayor Frank Grizzaffi, Director, representing the City of Morgan City;
Mr. Charles Brossette, Director, representing City of Natchitoches;
Mr. Anthony Daisy, Alternate Director, representing the City of New Roads;
Mayor Edwin Reeves, Director, representing the City of Plaquemine;
Mayor Chuck Robichaux, Director, representing the City of Rayne;
Mayor Buzz Craft, Director, representing City of Vidalia;
Mayor Carolyn Louviere, Director, representing the Town of Welsh;
Mayor Kiah Beville, Director, representing the City of Winnfield

Absent:

Mayor Hiram Evans, Director, representing the Town of Jonesville;
Mayor Kirk Champagne, Director, representing the City of Kaplan;
Mayor Thomas Nelson, Director, representing the City of St. Martinville;
Mayor Kenneth Stinson, Director, representing the Town of Vinton

Non-Voting Member Present:

Mr. Cordell Grand, General Manager

The meeting was called to order and the presence of a quorum was noted. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

General Manager Grand then reported on the transference of power. He reported that Mayor Robichaux would move up to a position as Chairman, Mr. Levron would be Vice-Chairman, and Mayor Craft would be Secretary. On motion by Mr. Levron that was seconded by Mayor Piazza, the Board of Directors unanimously approved the transference of power.

General Manager Grand then presented a token of appreciation to Mayor Grizzaffi.

Mayor Robichaux then appointed two new Operating Committee members, Mayor Grizzaffi and Mayor Reeves. On motion by Mayor Craft that was seconded by Mr. Levron, the Board of Directors unanimously approved the two new Operating Committee members.

On motion by Mr. Levron that was seconded by Mayor Louviere, the Board of Directors unanimously approved the Minutes of the December 8, 2016 Special Board Meeting as circulated to Board members.

General Manager Grand then gave a report on wholesale power costs with a presentation on MISO's Real Time Market, a copy of which was in Members' packets. He reported that fuel costs in December of 2015 were 24 mills, and fuel costs in November of 2016 were at 35 mills. He explained that natural gas has driven up the costs of the fuel prices. The twelve-month strip for natural gas was at \$3.45.

David Bergeron then gave a Power Point presentation on wholesale power costs on MISO's Real Time Market.

General Manager Grand then gave an update on disposition of the Rodemacher Unit No. 2. He reported an upcoming scheduled outage to perform routine maintenance.

On motion by Mr. Marcotte that was seconded by Mayor Davis, the Board of Directors unanimously voted to ratify the final actions authorized by the Operating Committee at the meeting of such Committee held on December 8, 2016, copies of which were in Members' packets.

General Manager Grand then reported on a proposed 30th Supplement to Professional Services Agreement with Energy & Resources Consulting Group, LLC for the scope of work for preparation of the 2016 Annual Engineer's Report on Rodemacher Unit No. 2 Power Project and on LEPA Unit No. 1. On motion by Mr. Marcotte that was seconded by Mayor Reeves, the Board of Directors unanimously directed LEPA to not execute a future Supplement without a new Professional Services Agreement.

Assistant General Manager Kevin Bihm then reported on LEPA Unit No. 1. He reported that the plant is having problems with making demineralized water caused by a failure in the reverse osmosis system.

General Manager Grand then reported on a request for approval of the Louisiana Compliance Questionnaire for 2016, a copy of which was in Members' packets. On motion by Mayor Grizzaffi that was second by Mayor Louviere, the Board of Directors unanimously agreed to allow LEPA staff to execute the Questionnaire.

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There being no further business to come before the Board, on motion by Mr. Marcotte that was seconded by Mayor Piazza, the Board of Directors unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

Chairman

Secretary