

**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 MARCH 18, 2021.**

The members of the Board of Directors held a meeting on March 18, 2021, 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):

Mr. Ernest Brown, Alternate Director, representing the City of Houma  
Mr. Jeffery Stewart, Director, representing the City of Lafayette  
Mr. Gary Moreland, Director, representing the City of Minden  
Mayor Lee Dragna, representing the City of Morgan City  
Mayor Michael “Mike” Kloesel, Director, representing the City of Kaplan  
Mayor Ed Reeves, Director, representing the City of Plaquemine  
Mayor Charles “Chuck” Robichaux, Director, representing the City of Rayne  
Mayor Buzz Craft, Director, representing the City of Vidalia  
Mayor Jeffery Hall, Director, representing the City of Alexandria  
Mayor Karl Arceneaux, Director, representing the City of Welsh  
Mayor Milton Ceasar, Director, representing the Town of Jonesville  
Mr. Matt Arceneux, Director, representing the City of Natchitoches  
Mr. Paul Seawell, Alternate Director, representing the City of New Roads  
Mayor Kenneth Stinson, Director, representing the Town of Vinton  
Mr. Jonathan Paul, Alternate Director, representing the City of Winnfield

Absent

Mayor Mark Piazza, Director, representing the City of Abbeville  
Mayor Melinda Mitchell, Director, representing the City of St. Martinville

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

On motion by Mayor Reeves that was seconded by Mayor Dragna, the Board of Directors unanimously voted to ratify the final actions authorized by the Operating Committee in the meeting of such Committee held on January 21, 2021.

On motion by Mayor Reeves that was seconded by Mayor Hall, the Minutes of the January 21, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting, copies of which were in Members’ packets, were unanimously approved as circulated to Board members.

General Manager Kevin Bihm then gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the extreme cold weather event in February. Mayors Craft, Ceasar and Stinson thanked LEPA staff for their assistance in coordinating mutual aid during the weather events as well as the other municipalities which assisted.

Assistant General Manager David Bergeron then gave an update on Rodemacher Unit No. 2. He reported that the unit is down for the usual spring outage that commenced March 14 which should end March 30.

General Manager Kevin Bihm then reported on the requests by the Town of Erath and the Town of Gueydan to become Members of LEPA, as set forth in the resolutions and ordinances in Members' packets. On motion by Mayor Reeves that was seconded by Mayor Dragna, the Board unanimously voted to accept Erath as members of LEPA. The votes were as follows:

<u>Board or Alternate Members</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Mr. Ernest Brown, Alternate Director, representing the City of Houma	Yea
Mr. Jeffery Stewart, Director, representing the City of Lafayette	Yea
Mr. Gary Moreland, Director, representing the City of Minden	Yea
Mayor Lee Dragna, representing the City of Morgan City	Yea
Mayor Michael "Mike" Kloesel, Director, representing the City of Kaplan	Yea
Mayor Ed Reeves, Director, representing the City of Plaquemine	Yea
Mayor Charles "Chuck" Robichaux, Director, representing the City of Rayne	Yea
Mayor Buzz Craft, Director, representing the City of Vidalia	Yea
Mayor Jeffery Hall, Director, representing the City of Alexandria	Yea
Mayer Karl Arceneaux, Director, representing the City of Welsh	Yea
Mayor Milton Ceasar, Director, representing the Town of Jonesville	Yea
Mr. Charles Brossette, Director, representing the City of Natchitoches	Yea
Mr. Paul Seawell, Alternate Director, representing the City of New Roads	Yea
Mayor Kenneth Stinson, Director, representing the Town of Vinton	Yea
Mr. Jonathan Paul, Alternate Director, representing the City of Winnfield	Yea

On motion by Mayor Hall that was seconded by Mayor Stinson, the Board unanimously voted to accept Gueydan as a member of LEPA. The votes were as follows:

<u>Board or Alternate Members</u>	<u>Vote</u>
Mr. Ernest Brown, Alternate Director, representing the City of Houma	Yea
Mr. Jeffery Stewart, Director, representing the City of Lafayette	Yea
Mr. Gary Moreland, Director, representing the City of Minden	Yea
Mayor Lee Dragna, representing the City of Morgan City	Yea
Mayor Michael "Mike" Kloesel, Director, representing the City of Kaplan	Yea
Mayor Ed Reeves, Director, representing the City of Plaquemine	Yea
Mayor Charles "Chuck" Robichaux, Director, representing the City of Rayne	Yea
Mayor Buzz Craft, Director, representing the City of Vidalia	Yea
Mayor Jeffery Hall, Director, representing the City of Alexandria	Yea
Mayor Karl Arceneaux, Director, representing the City of Welsh	Yea
Mayor Milton Ceasar, Director, representing the Town of Jonesville	Yea
Mr. Matt Arceneaux, Director, representing the City of Natchitoches	Yea
Mr. Paul Seawell, Alternate Director, representing the City of New Roads	Yea
Mayor Kenneth Stinson, Director, representing the Town of Vinton	Yea
Mr. Jonathan Paul, Alternate Director, representing the City of Winnfield	Yea

Mayor Piazza and Mayor Mitchell were not in attendance at the meeting. As such, they will be presented with the resolutions and ordinances.

General Manager Bihm then reported on the proposed Rodemacher Unit No. 2 Annual Report, copies of which were in Members' packets. On motion by Mayor Craft that was seconded by Mayor Reeves, the Board unanimously voted to authorize LEPA staff to execute the agreement for the annual report.

General Manager Bihm then reported on Lineman Training for LEPA members as set forth in the documents in Members' packets. He reported that there will be lineman apprentice training from May 3 through May 5. There will also be a transformer banking course on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Classroom training will be held at the LEPA offices with field training to be held at the LUS yard.

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

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Chairman

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Secretary