

**MINUTES OF LEPA OPERATING COMMITTEE MEETING OF
LOUISIANA ENERGY AND POWER AUTHORITY (LEPA)
HELD AT THE OFFICES OF LEPA IN LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA ON
OCTOBER 15, 2020**

The members of the LEPA Operating Committee held a meeting on October 15, 2020, 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 Edwin “Ed” Reeves, Chairman
Mayor Charles “Chuck” Robichaux, Vice Chairman
Mayor Buz Craft, Secretary-Treasurer
Mayor Frank “Boo” Grizzaffi
Mayor Jeff Hall

Non-voting member present:
Kevin Bihm, General Manager

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

On motion by Mayor Craft that was seconded by Mayor Hall, the Minutes of the September 24, 2020 Operating Committee Meeting, copies of which were in Members’ packets, were unanimously approved as circulated to Committee members.

General Manager Kevin Bihm then gave a report on wholesale power costs, as set forth in the documents in Members’ packets. He reported that the twelve month strip for natural gas was just below \$3.00. He further reported that the Full Requirements Service members’ costs for the previous month were 45.45 mills.

General Manager Bihm then approached the subject of automated meter reading (AMR). There then ensued a general discussion amongst the Committee members and others with respect to the different options available to LEPA cities in the area of automated meter reading.

General Manager Bihm then reported on Hurricane Delta. There then ensued a general discussion among Committee members as to the effects of Hurricane Delta on the LEPA communities and responses.

General Manager Bihm then reported on a Rate Stabilization Pilot Program for Winnfield. There then ensued a general discussion with respect to the possibility of Rate Stabilization Programs for members of LEPA.

General Manager Bihm then reported on the 2021 meeting calendar for the Operating Committee, a copy of which was in member's packets. On motion by Mayor Craft that was seconded by Mayor Hall, the Operating Committee unanimously voted to approve the proposed calendar.

General Manager Bihm then reported on the proposed Full Requirements and Rodemacher Budgets, copies of which were in members' packets. He reported that the Rodemacher Budget had been reduced due to the reduction in O & M. He also reported that this reduction in the Rodemacher Budget helped reduce the demand rate for the Full Requirement Budget. He further reported that the Full Requirement Budget includes a 50 cent per hour increase for LEPA's Lafayette employees. On motion by Mayor Hall that was seconded by Mayor Craft, the members of the Operating Committee unanimously voted to recommend adoption of the Budgets to the LEPA Board of Directors as presented in their packets.

There being no further business to come before the Operating Committee, on motion by Mayor Hall that was seconded by Mayor Robichaux, the members of such Committee unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

Chairman

Sec.-Treasurer