

**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, 2022.**

The members of the Board of Directors held a meeting on January 20, 2022, 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 Buzz Craft, Director, representing the City of Vidalia
Mr. Matt Anderson, Director, representing the City of Natchitoches
Mr. Jonathon Paul, Alternate Director, representing the City of Winnfield
Mayor Taylor Mencacci, Director, representing the Town of Erath
Mr. Jeffrey Stewart, Director, representing the City of Lafayette
Mr. Paul Seawell, Alternate Director, representing the City of New Roads
Mayor Karl Arceneaux, Director, representing the City of Welsh
Mayor Jeffery Hall, Director, representing the City of Alexandria
Mr. Gary Moreland, Director, representing the City of Minden
Mayor Melinda Mitchell, Director, representing the City of St. Martinville
Mayor Edwin "Ed" Reeves, Director, representing the City of Plaquemine
Mr. Ernest Brown, Alternate Director, representing City of Houma

Absent

Mayor Hiram Evans, Director, representing the Town of Jonesville
Mr. Kenneth Stinson, Director, representing the Town of Vinton
Mayor Charles "Chuck" Robichaux, Director, representing the City of Rayne
Mayor Mark Piazza, Director, representing the City of Abbeville
Mayor Michael "Mike" Kloesel, Director, representing the City of Kaplan
Mayor Lee Dragna, Director, representing the City of Morgan City
Mayor Jude Reese, Director, representing the Town of Gueydan

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

On motion by Mr. Stewart that was seconded by Mayor Arceneaux, the Minutes of the September 16, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting, copies of which were in Members' packets, were unanimously approved as circulated to Board members.

General Manager Bihm then reported on the yearly transference of officer positions. He reported that the Vice-Chairman, Mayor Craft, will become the Chairman, and the Secretary-Treasurer, Mayor Edwin "Ed" Reeves will become the Vice-Chairman.

Incoming Chairman Mayor Craft then nominated Mr. Jeff Stewart to become the new Secretary-Treasurer. On motion by Mayor Reeves that was seconded by Mayor Mencacci the Board of Directors unanimously voted to close the nominations.

On motion by Mayor Reeves that was seconded by Mayor Arceneaux, the Board of Directors unanimously voted to appoint Mr. Stewart as the incoming Secretary-Treasurer.

Chairman Craft then announced that he would like to appoint Mayor Robichaux and Mayor Arceneaux to the Operating Committee. On motion by Mayor Reeves that was seconded by Mayor Hall, the Board of Directors unanimously voted to appoint Mayor Robichaux and Mayor Arceneaux to the Operating Committee.

On motion by Mayor Reeves that was seconded by Mayor Arceneaux, the Minutes of the November 18, 2021, Board of Directors Meeting, copies of which were in Members' packets, were unanimously approved as circulated to Board members.

General Manager Bihm then gave a report on wholesale power costs as set forth in the comparison documents in Members' packets. He reported that the 12-month strip for natural gas was at \$4.01. He further reported that the costs were at 53.8 mils in December for Full Requirements Services members.

On motion by Mayor Reeves that was seconded by Mayor Hall, the Members of the Board of Directors unanimously voted to ratify the final actions by the Operating Committee at the meeting of such Committee on November 18, 2001.

General Manager Bihm then reported on an article report by the American Public Power Association, copies of which were in Members' packets, describing webinars about private equity takeovers and a constrained supply chain.

Assistant General Manager David Bergeron then gave an update on Rodemacher Unit No. 2. He reported that railway disruptions had caused a decrease in coal shipments although LEPA and Lafayette have purchased coal for 2022 and 2023.

General Manager Bihm then reported on a lineman safety meeting offered by LUS through Jeff Stewart and Greg Labbe, described in the memorandum in Members' packets.

General Manager Bihm then reported on the Auditors Compliance Questionnaire for fiscal year 2021, copies of which were in Members' packets. On motion by Mayor Hall that was seconded by Mayor Reeves the Board of Directors unanimously voted to authorize LEPA staff to execute the Questionnaire.

General Manager Bihm then reported on the Eighth Supplement to the Professional Services Agreement with Legend Consulting Group for the performance of the 2021 Consulting Engineer's Report for Rodemacher Unit No. 2, copies of which were in Members' packets.

On motion by, Mayor Reeves that was seconded by, Mayor Hall the Board of Directors unanimously voted to authorize LEPA staff to execute the Agreement.

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

Chairman

Secretary