

**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 NOVEMBER 18,2021.**

The members of the Board of Directors held a meeting on November 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):

Mayor Charles “Chuck” Robichaux, Director, representing the City of Rayne  
Mayor Buzz Craft, Director, representing the City of Vidalia  
Mayor Mark Piazza, Director, representing the City of Abbeville  
Mr. Matt Anderson, Director, representing the City of Natchitoches  
Mayor Michael “Mike” Kloesel, Director, representing the City of Kaplan  
Mr. Jonathon Paul, Alternate Director, representing the City of Winnfield  
Mr. Bill Cefalu, Alternate Director, representing the City of Morgan City  
Mr. Scott Bernard, Alternate 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, representing the City of Welsh  
Mr. Ernest Brown, representing the City of Houma

Absent

Mr. Gary Moreland, Director, representing the City of Minden  
Mayor Jeffery Hall, Director, representing the City of Alexandria  
Mayor Melinda Mitchell, Director, representing the City of St. Martinville  
Mayor Hiram Evans, Director, representing the Town of Jonesville  
Mayor Jude Reese, Director, representing the Town of Gueydan  
Mr. Kenneth Stinson, Director, representing the Town of Vinton  
Mayor Edwin “Ed” Reeves , Director, representing the City of Plaquemine

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 Kloesel, the Members of the Board of Directors unanimously voted to ratify the final actions authorized by the Operating Committee at the meetings of such Committee on September 16th and October 21st, 2021.

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 Kevin Bihm then gave a report on wholesale power costs as set forth in the comparison documents in Members' packets. The first page showed a comparison for September 2021. The next pages showed comparisons for the preceding 12 months. He also reported on a comparison of residential electric bills of LEPA members and cooperatives as set forth in the document in Members' packets.

Assistant General Manager Bergeron then gave an update on Rodemacher Unit No. 2. He reported on efforts to purchase coal for 2022. He reported that presently, it is a sellers' market. Congestion on rail cars continues although LEPA has been able to add additional railcars. The coal pile is low compared to earlier years. General Manager Bihm then reported that the unit has not been in the market in order to conserve coal.

General Manager Bihm then reported on efforts by one or more members of the Public Service Commission to withdraw from MISO. He reported that effort had been withdrawn from the agenda for the previous day's Public Service Commission agenda.

General Manager Bihm then reported on H.R. 3684, the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act, and the summary in Members' packets.

General Manager Bihm then reported on the proposed 2022 calendar for LEPA Board meetings. On motion by Mr. Seawell that was seconded by Mayor Kloesel, the members of the Board of Directors unanimously voted to adopt the calendar as presented.

General Manager Bihm then reported on consideration and request for approval of the proposed 2022 LEPA budgets. He reported that both budgets will have decreased costs. He reported that the debt on the Rodemacher Unit No. 2 is scheduled to be paid off in 2023, but there are funds available to pay the debt off in 2022. The net result will be a reduction in expenses for 2022 as reflected in the proposed budget.

He further reported that the expenses in the proposed Full Requirement budget will go down due to the decrease in the Rodemacher budget and the entry by New Roads as a Full Requirements member.

On motion by Mr. Stewart that was seconded by Mayor Craft, the Members of the Board of Directors unanimously voted by roll call vote to approve the proposed budget for the Rodemacher Unit No. 2. The votes were as follows:

Yeas:

Mayor Charles "Chuck" Robichaux, Director, representing the City of Rayne  
Mayor Buzz Craft, Director, representing the City of Vidalia  
Mayor Mark Piazza, Director, representing the City of Abbeville  
Mr. Matt Anderson, Director, representing the City of Natchitoches  
Mayor Michael "Mike" Kloesel, Director, representing the City of Kaplan  
Mr. Jonathon Paul, Alternate Director, representing the City of Winnfield  
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Mr. Jeffrey Stewart, Director, representing the City of Lafayette  
Mr. Paul Seawell, Alternate Director, representing the City of New Roads  
Mayor Karl Arceneaux, representing the City of Welsh  
Mr. Ernest Brown, representing the City of Houma

Nays:

None

On motion by Mayor Craft that was seconded by Mayor Piazza, the Members of the Board of Directors unanimously voted by roll call vote to approve the proposed budget for Rodemacher Unit No. 2. The votes were as follows:

Yeas:

Mayor Charles "Chuck" Robichaux, Director, representing the City of Rayne  
Mayor Buzz Craft, Director, representing the City of Vidalia  
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There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, on motion by Mayor Craft that was seconded by Mr. Stewart, the Members of the Board of Directors unanimously voted to adjourn the meeting.

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Chairman

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Secretary