

Board Meeting Wednesday, March 20, 2019

The Northern Illinois Municipal Power Agency (NIMPA) met on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at Geneva Public Works, 1800 South Street, Geneva, Illinois. President Gary Holm called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

1. Call to Order and Roll Call:

Present at the meeting:

Hal Wright, City of Geneva Gary Holm, City of Batavia
Rich Babica, City of Geneva Rahat Bari, City of Batavia
Aaron Holton, City of Geneva Jason Bird, City of Rochelle

Diane Krupa, City of Geneva

Present via teleconference:

Richard Heinemann, General Counsel

Joe Fulliero, Avant Energy

Noah Hansen, Avant Energy

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2. Approval of Regular Session Meeting Minutes from January 16 and February 22, 2019:

MOTION: To approve the regular session meeting minutes of January 16, 2019 and

February 22, 2019 as presented.

MAKER: Gary Holm SECOND: Hal Wright

VOICE VOTE: All in favor, Motion Carried

3. Administrative Report:

a. Monthly Financials (January, 2019)

Mr. Niles reviewed the financials of January 2019 with the NIMPA board members. NIMPA's rate to members for January ended at \$1.17 per MWH lower than budget. This was primarily a result of lower than budget purchase power, fuel and other operating costs, which was offset by higher budgeted production and maintenance costs.

b. Credit Facility / LOC Status Update

Mr. Niles reported on the status of NIMPA's credit facility and Letter of Credit. The month of January ended with a Credit Facility of \$15 million less the \$2.5 million Letter of Credit with PJM. Leaving an unused Credit Facility balance of \$12.5 million.

c. Year-to-Date Budget, ECA and Capital Reserve Fund Status Update

Mr. Niles reported on the year-to-date budget performance and ECA funds. The ECA payable to members increased in January by \$56,000. The month of January ended with an ECA balance of \$9.5 million.

Mr. Niles continued with a review of the Capital Reserve Fund. NIMPA's capital adder funds ended at an approximate balance of \$10.4 Million in January. This represents more than four years of NIMPA's share of projected capital costs based on PSGC's projection of capital expenditures over the next five years.

d. Investment Report

Mr. Niles reviewed the cash and investment report with the NIMPA board members. NIMPA's total cash and investments was at a total of \$68.9 Million; with a total of \$36.4 Million related to debt service reserves and debt service. Mr. Niles reminded the board that the lower numbers reflect the majority of NIMPA's principal and interest being paid to the bondholders on January 1st of each year.

Mr. Niles informed the board of Moody contacting Avant with basic questions regarding NIMPA. Primarily due to Moody being in the process of doing their annual review and a new staff member. Upon response to their questions, no further action is anticipated.

MOTION: To approve the monthly financials of January 2019 as presented.

MAKER: Jason Bird SECOND: Hal Wright

VOICE VOTE: All in favor, Motion Carried

e. Monthly Management Report

Mr. Hansen provided a review of the January 2019 monthly management reports with the NIMPA board members. Mr. Hansen reviewed the PJM & MISO market activities for the month. Concluding PJM's market revenue ended at \$215 Thousand. On the MISO side of activity, the need for purchase of station service from MISO was due to the pseudo-tie and PSGC's 6 brief outages for the month. This resulted in MISO activities ending at a net cost of \$210 Thousand leaving PSCG with a net revenue of \$5 Thousand. Mr. Hansen continued with a breakdown of the congestion cost components, which were offset by the FTR's acquired.

In review of Prairie State's plant performance, both Units 1 & 2 had a combined total of 6 outages. Ending the month of January with downtime in equivalence of 4 days of generation on Unit 1 and 2 days of generation on Unit 2.

Mr. Hansen continued with a review of the variance report. Noting this is the 1st report for 2019. January YTD performance ended at a favorable \$82 Thousand compared to budget. This was primarily due to lower energy prices on the PJM side. In comparison to the January 2018 budget, January 2019 ended at a favorable \$525 Thousand.

Mr. Wright questioned why LMP's were lower for January 2019 vs January 2018. Without review of 2018, it was speculated that the lower LMP's were due to lower gas prices and a mild Jan 2019.

President Holm commented on the status of the plant outages. Making note that the focus for outage improvement primarily due to fuel or boiler issues is recognized by PSGC management.

f. General Counsel Update, including status of pseudo-tie proceedings

Attorney Heinemann provided an update of the pseudo-tie proceedings to the board members. An order was recently received, accepting the proposed MISO Phase 2 pseudo-tie tariff revisions. Attorney Heinemann noted FERC has acknowledged the pending member pleadings and proposed solutions.

4. Proposed Service Schedule E (administrative services) under the Avant Master Services Agreement:

Following the development of the NIMPA Website, President Holm informed the board of the administrative services as outlined in the Avant Master Services Agreement, to be performed by Avant staff at an approximate annual cost to NIMPA of \$6000.

President Holm requested Hal Wright make a motion for approval of the proposed Administrative Service Schedule under the Avant Master Services Agreement.

MOTION: To approve the execution of the proposed Service Schedule E

(administrative services) under the Avant Master Service Agreement.

MAKER: Hal Wright SECOND: Jason Bird

VOICE VOTE: All in favor, Motion Carried

5. Executive Session (Consideration of contracts for sale, purchase or delivery of electricity) (Prairie State Project)

MOTION: To move into Executive Session at 10:34 a.m.

MAKER: Gary Holm SECOND: Jason Bird

VOICE VOTE: All in favor, Motion Carried

Regular Session returned at 11:19 a.m.

6. Old Business: NIMPA Joint Community Meeting Location

President Holm informed the board members that the NIMPA Joint Community Meeting has been Scheduled for Thursday, June 6, 2019. Included will be a PSGC presentation by Don Gaston. All members including Attorney Heinemann and Avant will be invited. President Holm requested the City of Geneva to host the event.

7. New Business: None

8. Comments: a. Board - None

b. Public - None

9. Motion to Adjourn the meeting at 11:27 a.m.

Minutes submitted by: Diane Krupa