

# Board Meeting Thursday, February 24, 2022

The Northern Illinois Municipal Power Agency (NIMPA) met on Thursday, February 24, 2022 at Geneva Public Works, 1800 South Street, Geneva, Illinois.

## 1. Call to Order and Roll Call:

President Holm called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

### Present at the meeting:

Aaron Holton, City of Geneva	Gary Holm, City of Batavia
Jennifer Shelley, City of Geneva	

### Present via teleconference:

Richard Heinemann, General Counsel	Rahat Bari, City of Batavia
David Niles, Avant Energy	Blake Toliver, City of Rochelle
Noah Hansen, Avant Energy	Jeff Fiegenschuh, City of Rochelle
Trevor Smith, Avant Energy	Joe Fulliero, Avant Energy

### 2. Approval of Regular Session Meeting Minutes from January 27, 2022:

MOTION:	Table approval of Minutes to the next regularly scheduled board meeting
MAKER:	Aaron Holton
SECOND:	Gary Holm
ROLL CALL:	All in favor-Aye
	The Motion Passed.

### 3. Administrative Report:

### a. Monthly Financials (December 2021)

Mr. Niles reviewed the financials of December, 2021 with the NIMPA board members. NIMPA's rate to members for December ended higher than budget. Primarily resulting from much higher than budgeted purchase power cost and maintenance cost.

### b. Credit Facility / LOC Status Update

Mr. Niles reported on the status of NIMPA's credit facility and Letter of Credit. The month of December ended with a Credit Facility of \$15 million less the \$2.5 million Letter of Credit with PJM, leaving a net Credit Facility balance of \$12.5 million. The annual renewal period for that letter is in February. It has been communicated to PNC that we want to roll that \$2.5 million Letter of Credit with PJM over for another year.

## 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 with December ending with an ECA balance of approximately \$2.8 million. Mr. Niles reminded that the Board voted to distribute \$1 million of that balance over the first 6 months of 2022.

Mr. Niles continued with a review of the Capital Reserve Fund. NIMPA's capital adder funds ended in December at an approximate balance of \$10.8 million. This represents more than four years of NIMPA's share of projected capital costs based on PSGC's projection 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 \$73.4 million; with a total of \$43.5 million related to debt service reserves and debt service. NIMPA's operating account ended in December at \$12.5 million. A discussion followed regarding the current ECA balance, the Board's previous vote to distribute \$1 million of ECA funds and the idea of putting a formal policy in place regarding an ECA balance level to maintain.

MOTION:	To approve the monthly financials of December 2021 as presented.
MAKER:	Jeff Fiegenschuh
SECOND:	Aaron Holton
ROLL CALL:	All in favor-Aye
	The Motion Passed.

## e. Monthly Management/Operations Report – December, 2021

Mr. Hansen provided a review of the December 2021 monthly management report with the NIMPA board members. Mr. Hansen reviewed the PJM & MISO market activities for the month.

Mr. Hansen continued with a review of PSGC plant performance for the month. During the month of December, PSGC had 76,400 MW of generation for \$2.04 million in revenue in PJM.

Generation for the month was below budget as each Unit had several small de-rates for the month for pulverizer availability issues and Unit 2 had a couple of outages for fan and condenser issues ending the month with an overall plant capacity factor of 83.6%. Mr. Hansen provided additional context regarding generation. NIMPA ramped down its generation in the month to reduce overall costs again similar to what was discussed last month to manage some of those MISO congestion and loss costs and produce savings for NIMPA. Some of the lower capacity factor was due to outages and some of it was due to manually ramping, but either way, PSGC production was under budget for the month.

Mr. Hansen presented a review of the variance reports for December 2021 actual vs budget. In summarizing the overall performance, December ended with an unfavorable variance of \$675,000 compared to budget. This was due to lower than budgeted PSGC production resulting in less generation resource revenues and the MISO congestion and loss costs being significantly greater than budget as a result of transmission constraints and issues in the area that have continued on.

Mr. Hansen continued with the second variance report, 2021 YTD. Noting NIMPA is about 46,000 MWH greater than budget on generation volume when it looks at both PJM and MISO generation. That's about 5% greater than budget for the 2021 calendar year. Total year-to-date variance is unfavorable to budget by \$2.6 million. A discussion followed regarding MISO charges so far in 2022 and transmission paths.

## f. General Counsel Update

Attorney Heinemann stated there was no update at open session.

## 4. Records Retention Policy Review

President Holm stated the need to review records retention policy. Attorney Heinemann summarized the Board approved policy from 2015. Attorney Heinemann continued with the need to further make sure policy has clear procedures and guidelines regarding destruction of records. President Holm confirmed this was a good introduction and it will be discussed further next month.

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

MOTION:	To move into Executive Session at 2:02 p.m.
MAKER:	Gary Holm
SECOND:	Jeff Fiegenschuh
ROLL CALL:	All in favor-Aye
	The Motion Passed.

Regular Session returned at 2:51 p.m.

## 6. Action Items from Executive Session:

7. Old Business: None

- 8. New Business: None
- 9. Comments: a. Board None b. Public - None

**10.** Motion to adjourn the meeting at 2:51 p.m.

MOTION:	To move into Executive Session at 2:51 p.m.
MAKER:	Aaron Holton
SECOND:	Gary Holm
ROLL CALL:	All in favor-Aye
	The Motion Passed.

Minutes submitted by: Jennifer Shelley