

**MINUTES OF HARDWICK ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT REGULAR COMMISSIONERS MEETING OF 6/19/2023 AT 5:00 PM**

Commissioners Smith, Prevot, O'Connell, Ambrosino and Gedanken were in attendance VIA Zoom along with GM Mike Sullivan.

Also in attendance via Zoom:

Abraham Ames  
Phil Woodward  
Mick Leddy

- Chair Gedanken called the meeting to order at 5:01 PM.
- Commissioner Smith moved to approve the agenda. Commissioner Prevot seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Commissioner Prevot made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 15, 2023 regular board meeting. Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Abraham Ames presented information regarding Caspian Beach conservation project. Commissioner Prevot made a motion to grant conceptual approval for the project to go to the next phase of design and engineering. Commissioner O'Connell seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Emails from Rachel Kane regarding feasibility study for Jackson Dam were discussed. No action was taken.
- Nichols Pond access was discussed.
- Service upgrade information on the HED website was discussed.
- A distribution wheeling tariff discussed. No action was taken.
- The General Manager's Report was reviewed and discussed.
- The Financial Statements were reviewed.
- Commissioner Gedanken made a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss a potential litigation issue, the premature disclosure of which would be prejudicial to the interest of Hardwick Electric Department. Commissioner Ambrosino seconded the motion. The Board went into Executive Session at 6:36 PM.
- The Board returned to regular session at 7:24 PM. No action was taken.
- Commissioner Gedanken made a motion that based on the advice of counsel and the VLCT that the board ratify and consent to the proposed settlement of Richardson vs. Town of Hardwick, and the Electric Department's liability will not exceed its deductible under PACIF insurance. Commissioner Ambrosino seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Commissioner Ambrosino made a motion to move in Executive Session to discuss an employee matter. Commissioner Prevot seconded the motion. The Board went into Executive Session at 7.29 PM.
- The Board returned to regular session at 7:24 PM. No action was taken.
- Commissioner Prevot made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Gedanken seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Meeting was adjourned at 7:54 PM.

Beth Essary  
Recorded By

Aug. 21, 2023  
Date

Yvonne E. Gedanken  
Commissioner Signature

Aug. 21, 2023  
Date