

**LAMAR UTILITIES BOARD
MINUTES OF THE UTILITIES BOARD MEETING
May 12, 2020**

The Lamar Utilities Board met in regular session by Conference Call at 12:02 p.m. with Chairman Thrall presiding.

Present: Jay Brooke, Doug Thrall, Patrick Leonard, Clifford Boxley, Kirk Crespin, Don Steerman, Houssin Hourieh, Lisa Denman, Linda Williams

Absent: Leala Owen

Corrected Minutes of Previous Meeting – April 14, 2020

Boardmember Brooke moved and Boardmember Leonard seconded to approve corrected meeting minutes of April 14, 2020.

Voting Yes: Brooke, Thrall, Leonard, Boxley

Voting No: None

Minutes of Previous Meeting – April 28, 2020

Boardmember Brooke moved and Boardmember Leonard seconded to approve meeting minutes of April 28, 2020.

Voting Yes: Brooke, Thrall, Leonard, Boxley

Voting No: None

Purchase Orders #89364 through #89398

Boardmember Brooke moved and Boardmember Boxley seconded to approve purchase orders #89364 through #89398 in the amount of \$710,462.62.

Voting Yes: Brooke, Thrall, Leonard, Boxley

Voting No: None

Payment of Bills

Boardmember Leonard moved and Boardmember Brooke seconded to approve payment of bills: Vouchers #49782 through #49838 for a total of \$167,284.70.

Voting Yes: Brooke, Thrall, Leonard, Boxley

Voting No: None

System Operating Report

Superintendent Hourieh reported that wind turbine data for first quarter 2020 indicates that the three LUB turbines have generated 3,080.71 MWH's of electricity, with an average capacity factor of 31.08%. The wind turbine analysis showed that the 2020 first quarter generation is approximately 69.17% higher than the same time frame in 2019, and the capacity factor was approximately 15.1% higher than the same period in 2019. The increase in wind power production is contributed to 2019 down time for T-1 and T-3 due to a failed pitch motor and torque deviation fault and more wind in 2020.

Superintendent Hourieh reported the 2020 LUB/ARPA Scholarship process has been completed. This year they received 6 applications for the combined \$1,000.00 scholarship. Three applications were from Lamar High School, two applications from

Wiley High School, and one application from McClave High School. The selection committee was given the applications without any identifying information on them. This anonymous process has allowed the students to be judged solely on their academic achievement and community support. This year's winners are:

- Lamar High School – Alexander James Higbee
- Wiley High School – Maura Smith
- McClave High School – Trace Michael Cox

Superintendent Hourieh reported that on May 4, 2020 at 6:29 a.m. the 69-24.9kv substation tripped off line due to a differential fault. The fault was caused by what appears to be a metal foil balloon that came in contact with two phases of the 24.9kv circuit at the 69kv substation. The protective relays operated to clear the fault causing a power outage to the northern section of Lamar, all of Wiley, McClave, Bristol, Hartman and Holly. The outage lasted about ½ hour with no damages to the substations equipment.

Superintendent Hourieh reported that the line crew replaced a 40 ft. wooden pole that was hit by one of the Heath & Turpin trucks at 3rd and Maple on April 27, 2020. The crew also replaced an underground circuit J-box at Main and Forrest St. that was hit by a car on April 27, 2020. They scheduled a planned outage at 7:20 a.m. on May 5, 2020 to do the work safely. The planned outage affected customers between Parkway and Savage Avenue. All work was completed about 10:25 a.m. that day. Photos provided.

Executive Session

Boardmember Brooke moved and Boardmember Leonard seconded to enter into an executive session for:

- Receive Legal Advice on Specific Legal Questions Regarding a Conflict Related to LUB Service Area – Attorney – Client Communication pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b).

Voting Yes: Thrall, Boxley, Leonard, Brooke

Voting No: None

The meeting was recessed and the executive session convened at 12:15 p.m.

Attorney Ric Fanyo attended meeting by phone.

Boardmember Leonard moved and Boardmember Brooke seconded to adjourn executive session and the meeting reconvened at 1:24 p.m.

Voting Yes: Thrall, Boxley Leonard, Brooke

Voting No: None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Boardmember Brooke moved and Boardmember Boxley seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Voting Yes: Brooke, Thrall, Leonard, Boxley

Voting No:

The meeting adjourned at 1:25 p.m.

Don Steerman, as Board Attorney, attests pursuant to C.R.S. 24-6-402(2)(d.5)(II)(B) that the portion of the executive minutes not recorded constituted a privileged attorney-client communication.

Don Steerman – Attorney

Linda Williams – City Clerk

Doug Thrall – Chairman