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January 6, 2021

7:30pm

Electric Committee Zoom Work Session Minutes

Attended via Zoom:

Carrie Hawkins Charlton, Chairwoman
Rich DiGregorio, Councilman
Denton Burnell, Councilman
Andrew Krauss, Electric Superintendent
Bryan Poster
Mayor Garry Hurbert

Approval of December 2020 minutes- 3-0*

The meeting was opened with exciting news that as of 4 PM on January 6, 2021 the Borough of Lansdale for the first time since the plant closed in 1972(49yrs) but now with zero a carbon footprint using the sun.

Mr. Krauss reported that the reference checks and conversations are now posted in drop box for review. The small focus group that met for the interviews will be meeting again shortly and hopes to have a recommendation to this committee to move forward to full council hopefully by next month.

The committee then voted (3-0) to approve the proposal by Keystone engineering to install the SCDA system for the new switchgear at the wastewater treatment plant. This proposal is for \$38,750 and will be funded through the professional services line item in the 08 operational budget.

The Committee then voted (3-0) to have Remington Vernick engineers prepare bid specs and advertise the replacement of the oil-fired heaters at the Electric services building. The heaters are well (1977) past their useful life and we are unable to get parts for them anymore.

The committee reviewed photographs of the failed circuit breaker at the main substation and voted (3-0) for utility engineers to craft bid specifications and advertise for the replacement of all six 34,000 V circuit breakers at the main substation.

Mr. Krauss then presented a video tour of the solar system at both Electric services building and wastewater treatment plant. Mr. Krauss and his team will be working on a more produced video to release to the public.

The committee was then given a link to a holiday Decor website that was recommended by Karl Luckens in our parks department to start looking at possible options for either additional holiday decorations or replacements for the ones we currently use



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The committee then spoke briefly about department operations including the customer owned generation ordinance, tree trimming, pole transfers, the PV system and Verizon Paul ownership.

The committee spoke about the two big capital purchases for the electric department in 2021. That will be the two projects mentioned in this report, the oil circuit breakers at the main sub and the heaters at the Electric services building.

Meeting adjourned 8:30 PM

