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July 7, 2021

7:30pm

Electric Committee Work Session Minutes

Borough Hall Room 201A/B

Attended:

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

The June minutes were approved unanimously as our first action item of the evening. Next on the agenda Mr. Krauss spoke about the interconnection with Pennsylvania Power & Light protection relay project, we are currently still waiting on final approval of the construction documents to move forward. We hope to have final drawings and a plan by August of 2021.

The committee then reviewed the electric vehicle charging stations portal and some statistical information related to how long residents are charging and where they are charging. Mr. Krauss will prepare the next steps for possible rates and recommendations for electric vehicle charging within the Borough.

Mr. Krauss then reviewed the 2021 capital projects and gave a progress report. The breakers at the main substation are in the process of being replaced. The breaker that failed in December went back online as of July 1 bringing our reliability and redundancy back to full capacity. This week the electric department and wastewater staff met with the monitoring company for our solar arrays and were trained on how to service and monitor the solar systems. As far as the oil heaters in the shop at electric services building, the notice to proceed was issued and all equipment was approved and ordered. We are looking at mid-August for delivery of equipment with a two-week construction schedule after delivery.

The committee then review department operations for the month of June including tree trimming around the borough, MS4 training with the wastewater treatment plant, Mr. Krauss and Mr. Ernst continued Pole attachment negotiations with Comcast, the department is looking into alternative fuel grant/rebate opportunities this summer for possible EV fast charging and then the committee also spoke about fleet branding and assessment of future needs for the fleet. lastly Mr. Krauss spoke about a training partnership between Pennsylvania municipal electric Association and the Northwest Lineman College, bringing lineman training to public lineman across the state of Pennsylvania.

Under new business there was a request for the electric department to look at two jobs one being a low hanging wire on Hancock Street and the other being tree limbs in wires on Sycamore at North Wales Road. Mr. Krauss will have his team take care of these jobs.

Meeting adjourned 8:30pm