



Regular Board of Directors Meeting

December 4, 2024

9:30 a.m.

5195 Waterbury-Stowe Road, Waterbury Center, VT 05677

CALL IN NUMBER: 1-347-991-8065

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Directors

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| Vera LaPorte, Barton | John Dasaro, Enosburg | Vacant, Hardwick |
| James Weber, Jacksonville | Erik Bailey, Johnson | Thomas Petraska, Ludlow |
| Jonathan Elwell, Lyndon | Scott Johnstone, Morrisville | Steve Fitzhugh, Northfield |
| John Morley III, Orleans | Bill Sheets, Swanton | James Gibbons, Burlington (Strategic Member) |

Agenda

Allotted number of minutes set forth in bold type after each item

“” items will have written materials but no presentation unless questions are asked*

1. Call to Order **(9:30)**
2. Consideration of changes/modifications to agenda **(3) (9:31)**
3. Public Comment **(2) (9:34)**

Action Items

4. Minutes of the 11/06/2024 Regular Board of Directors Meeting **(3) (9:36)**
5. Monthly Financial Report for period ending 10/30/2024 (Grace) **(5) (9:39)**
6. January Board Meeting Date (Chair Fitzhugh) **(5) (9:44)**
7. FY25 Budget Approval (Ken/Grace) **(10) (9:49)**

Discussion Items

8. BERAP Customer Leads (Ken) **(15) (9:59)**
9. AMI Update (Ken) **(15) (10:14)**
10. Power Supply Status (Heather/Drew) **(10) (10:29)**
11. Government Affairs Update (Sarah) **(30) (10:39)**
12. VSPC/Operating Committee Update (Committee Reps) **(20) (11:09)**
13. VELCO Independent Director Vote Prep (Steve Fitzhugh) **(15) (11:29)**
14. GM Updates (Ken) **(15) (11:44)**
15. Board Member Updates **(5) (11:59)**

Executive Session

16. McNeil Status (Ken) **(10) (12:04)**
17. HR Issues (Ken) **(15) (12:14)**

Other

18. Other Business

CC:

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| Denis Fortin, Barton | Vacant, Ludlow |
| Abbey Miller, Enosburg | Penny Jones, Morrisville |
| Vacant, Hardwick | Jeff Schulz, Northfield |
| Vacant, Jacksonville | Marilyn Prue, Orleans |
| Vacant, Johnson | Lynn Paradis, Swanton |
| Erica Welton, Lyndon | Emily Stebbins-Wheelock, BED (Strategic Member) |

With Sarah leaving it is likely I will need to take a more active role in this grant.

Social Media

Garth has approached me with concern that VPPSA's use of social media is sub-par primarily because we are not properly curating member stories to highlight and rely on third party information for our posts – essentially giving the third party free advertising.

He would like to solve this lack of material by having each member designate a staff person he can be in weekly contact with to gather local activities (and projected activities) and develop materials VPPSA can promote.

The ask would be for each member to provide Garth with a contact person knowledgeable about the range of activities underway at your utility.

Newsletters

Garth and I have been discussing development of a series of newsletters that would be sent to managers, and ultimately be made available to member staff and trustees to better communicate the status of projects and major initiatives. The first two Garth is focused on are an AMI newsletter and a Legislative newsletter. They can be found at the following link:

[Here is the prototype of the AMI newsletter](#)

[Here is the prototype newsletter for the VPPSA legislative committee](#)

Feedback is encouraged.