

HARDWICK ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING

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November 18, 2025 (6:00 PM)

Attendees:

Commissioner Michael Ambrosino, Chair

Commissioner Roger Prevot

Commissioner Jake Lester

HED Controller & Business Off Supervisor, Beth Essary

Commissioner Myles Kamisher-Koch, Vice Chair

Commissioner Renaud Demers

HED General Manager, Scott Johnstone

Stew Arnold, The Greensboro Association

- Commissioner Ambrosino called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM.
- Stew Arnold provided new information about Caspian Dam from The Greensboro Association.
- Commissioner Ambrosino requested an addition to the agenda prior to the financial report regarding the Current Expense Note with Union Bank.
- Commissioner Prevot made a motion to approve meeting minutes from the meeting October 8 and October 21. Commissioner Kamisher-Koch seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Commissioner Ambrosino made a motion that Sarah Braese and Beth Essary be removed as authorized signers on Hardwick Electric Department bank accounts, and Scott Johnstone be added. Commissioner Prevot seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Commissioner Ambrosino made a motion that Scott Johnstone be Hardwick Electric Department's representative to the VPPSA Board of Directors. Commissioner Lester seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Commissioner Prevot made a motion that the 2026 audit bid from Berry Dunn be accepted. Commissioner Demers seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Commissioner Lester made a motion that Scott Johnstone be authorized to negotiate a Financial Services contract. Commissioner Ambrosino seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Beth Essary presented documents for the renewal of the Union Bank Current Expense Note. Commissioner Lester made a motion to renew the \$300,000 the Current Expense Note from Union Bank for the term November 25, 2025 through November 24, 2026. Commissioner Prevot seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- Beth Essary presented the financial report, including new information about projected cash flow. Scott Johnstone and Beth Essary will continue to expand cash reporting.
- Scott Johnstone provided a report from DuBois & King regarding the Hydro repairs.
- Scott Johnstone presented the General Manager's report.
- Commissioner Ambrosino made a motion to go into Executive Session under VSA 313(a)(1)(A), (a)(1)(F), (a)(2), and (a)(1)(E), contracts, attorney client privilege, real estate, and pending or probable civil litigation, premature disclosure of which in each case would disadvantage Hardwick Electric Department. Commissioner Lester seconded the motion. The Board went into Executive Session at 7:40 pm.
- The Board came out of Executive Session at 8:33 pm. No action was taken.
- Commissioner Lester made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Prevot seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:34 pm.

Recorder

Date

Commissioner

Date