

TELL CITY ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
May 17, 2022

The Tell City Electric Department Board of Directors met at 4:00 P.M. All members were present except for Joe Daum. Mr. Land presided.

General Manager Andy Hicks was in attendance as was Paige Schank for the Department. No further guests were in attendance.

The Agenda was presented to the Board in written form. No changes were made. A motion was made by Mr. Poole and seconded by Mr. Kohnert to approve the Agenda as presented. Motion passed 5-0.

Minutes from the April 19, 2022 meeting were presented in written form. Being no corrections, Ms. Nance made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Poole seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

Committees

Human Resources: TCED has hired a summer intern through funds from the APPA Deed program. Alec Kaufman is a current senior at Tell City High School who strives to be an engineer. Mr. Kaufman will work at TCED from June 1<sup>st</sup> through July 31<sup>st</sup>, alongside Mr. Bender and Mr. Rust.

TCED has volunteered to work at the Table of Blessings on August 25, 2022 to assist in meal preparation, serving, and cleaning. The Board is invited to volunteer as well. The Board will discuss at a later date if paying overtime or providing an incentive for employees to volunteer is appropriate.

Financial Matters: The Financial Reports, Working Fund Report, Liquidity Report and Docket were presented and discussed. Mr. Malone noted that the Department saw a slight loss for the month. Due to seasonality, the months of April through June have historically resulted in lower revenue figures. Mr. Malone motioned to approve the reserve transfers to the four reserve accounts: \$55,500.00 to the Operating Reserve, \$11,250.00 to the Expansion Reserve, \$1,700.00 to the Waupaca Substation Reserve and \$9,993.47 to the Loan Liquidation Reserve and the Docket. Mr. Kohnert seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

Strategic Planning:

i. Southwest Substation Update: The substation station project continues to move forward with the goal to have the finalized site plans from Spectrum by the end of June. TCED sent the purchase order for the transformer to Pennsylvania Transformer. Pennsylvania Transformer has requested a couple changes to the proposal. Mr. Hicks has a meeting scheduled on May 18<sup>th</sup> to discuss these changes. One change involves lower liquidating damages figures from \$1,000/day to \$500/day, with a 30 day grace period and a 5% cap instead of a 10% cap. The other changes involves the payment schedule. Pennsylvania provided two payment options in their bid proposal. The first schedule requires 50% down, which is not an option TCED is comfortable going with. The second payment schedule, Mr. Hicks is going to ensure that this option does not include potential additional costs due to Pennsylvania being late on their delivery of the transformer. Since the bid proposals, Ohio Transmission Corporation (OTC) has sent a representative to Tell City to discuss the bid process, detail their testing process, and provide information for possible refurbishment of the current Eckley transformers when the Department moves into phase two of the Southwest Substation.

### Current Business

a. Power Supply Report: A copy of the monthly report was distributed. The Department's cost per kWh in April is \$0.069616, Jasper's is \$0.0826670, Huntingburg's is \$0.0810930 and Troy's is \$0.0777690. A monthly comparison of charges from TCED and SIP to Waupaca Foundry Inc. was presented for the Board's review for the month of April consumption. TCED's cost to Waupaca for the April consumption (due in May) invoice was higher than SIP's charge to Waupaca by approximately \$18,000.

b. 2022 Cost of Service Study Updated: TCED submitted the final piece of billing data to The Prime Group this week and Mr. Feltner has been diligently working on the study. The goal is to have a rough draft to the Department by the end of next week. TCED will review and meet with Mr. Feltner to discuss the data. By the end of May, beginning of June, the Department hopes to have the study ready for presentation to the Board. A special meeting will be held at that time to review and vote on the results of the rate study. If approved by the Board, the Department will provide the new rates to the Council for discussion at the July City Council meeting. TCED has to have the rates adjusted for the Utility Receipts Tax repeal at that time.

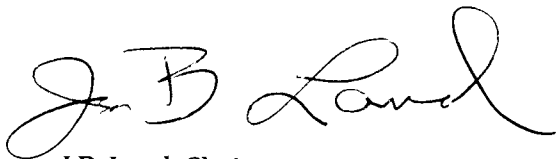
### New Business

a. Perry County Development Corporation (PCDC) Contribution Request of \$2,500: The Department was approached by PCDC Executive Director, Erin Emerson regarding a 2022 request for donation of \$2,500 from the Department to PCDC. This donation is consistent with their prior year request. The Board feels it is important to maintain open communication and contact with the PCDC and feels the donation is appropriate. Motion to approve the \$2,500 donation to the PCDC was made by Mr. Malone and seconded by Mr. Poole. Motion passed 5-0.

b. Transfer of Funds to Promotional Account in the Amount of \$2,500: The Board approved the donation amount of \$2,500 to PCDC as noted above. Mrs. Schank recommended a transfer of funds into the promotional account of \$2,500 to cover this donation request. Motion was made by Mr. Kohnert and seconded by Ms. Nance. Motion passed 5-0.

### Other Business

There being no other business, Ms. Nance made a motion at 4:23 P.M. to adjourn. Mr. Poole seconded; the motion passed 5-0.



J.B. Land, Chairman



Bob Kohnert, Secretary