

**MINUTES OF THE
MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD
March 8, 2022**

PURSUANT TO notice given, the Merrimac Municipal Light Board ("Board") met at the Merrimac Light Department 10 W. Main Street, Merrimac, MA

PRESENT

Those present included, Chair Larry Fisher, Vice Chair Norman Denault, Secretary Paula Hamel, General Manager, Mary Usovicz.

MEETING START

On a motion by Commissioner Fisher seconded by Commissioner Denault the Commissioners voted to bring the meeting to order at 4:12 PM. Vote 3-0

On a motion by Commissioner Fisher seconded by Commissioner Denault the Commissioners voted to approve the minutes as written for December 29, 2021, January 9, 2022, January 9, 2022 executive session minutes and January 23, 2022. Vote 3-0

Mary Usovicz gave an overview of the financial for December 2021, a payment survey of 279 customers dropping of their electric bill payments. Ms. Usovicz updated the Commissioners on the findings of the customer survey at the drive-up window, the downtown street lights retrofit, new department logo and the substation transfer maintenance. Ms. Usovicz noted that she is going to implement a maintenance schedule to the substations.

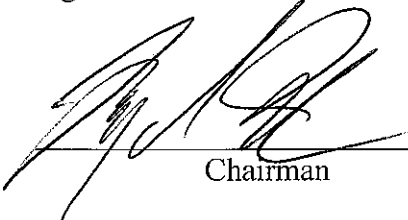
The Commissioners discussed the department logo and suggested to add some graphics to the logo. They also discussed the substation maintenance and agree there should be a maintenance schedule for the substations.

Ms. Usovicz reviewed a PowerPoint presentation on advanced metering infrastructure including the Wellesley situation and other AMR vs Merrimac, the Honeywell issues and what has to happen to maintain a new system. The Commissioners agreed that they would support option 1 with cellular. The Commissioners also discussed two-way radio communications and suggest Ms. Usovicz speak with the Inspector of Buildings about American Tower.

Ms. Usovicz updated the Commissioners on the need to replace the underground utilities at Little Pond Rd, DPU report, MIIA insurance, and procedures for street light policy.

Commissioner Fisher noted he has received a request for information on Ms. Usovicz application, resume and financial disclosure.

On a motion by Commissioner Fisher seconded by Commissioner Denault the Commissioners voted to adjourn regular session at 6:07 PM. Vote 3-0


Chairman


Vice Chair



Secretary