

**MINUTES OF THE MERRIMAC MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD**  
**August 2, 2022**

**PURSUANT TO** notice given, the Merrimac Municipal Light Board (“Board”) met in the Municipal Light Department’s (“MLD” or “Department”) Administration Building, 10 W Main Street, at 4:00 PM.

**PRESENT**

Those present included, Chair Norman Denault, Vice Chair Larry Fisher, Secretary Paula Hamel (Commissioner Hamel is participating remotely and affirms she can hear all parties present), General Manager, Mary Usovicz.

**MEETING START**

On a motion by Commissioner Denault seconded by Commissioner Fisher the Commissioners voted to bring the meeting to order at 4:15 PM. Vote 3-0

On a motion by Commissioner Denault seconded by Commissioner Hamel the Commissioners voted to take item one on the agenda and move to the end of the agenda. Vote 3-0

On a motion by Commissioner Denault seconded by Commissioner Fisher the commissioners voted to approve the minutes for July 12, 2022 with a hand written change to change Commissioner Hamel to Commissioner Fisher. Vote 2-0-1. Commissioner Hamel abstained from voting she was not present at the meeting.

GM Mary Usovicz gave an overview of the plans for the garage/office rehab which will include a walk-up window, be ADA compliant, and will provide a separation between the employees and the customers. GM Usovicz also noted that they will lobby to have the bridge repair on Mill Street. Commissioner Denault suggest a walk through with the architect for a more definitive plan.

GM Mary Usovicz gave an overview of the proposed new renewable and greenhouse gas (GHG) reduction regarding power supply and procurement renewable energy credits. On a motion by Commissioner Denault seconded by Commissioner Hamel the Commoners voted to accept the policy as written. Vote 3-0

GM Mary Usovicz reviewed the DPU report for 202. On a motion by Commissioner Denault seconded by Commissioner Fisher the Commissioner voted to approve and sign the 2021 DPU report as submitted. Vote 3-0

GM Usovicz reviewed her six months accomplishments with the Commissioners emailed on August 2, 2022 and suggest a change to the car allowance from \$300 a month to \$500 a month due to the gas prices. On a motion by Commissioner Denault seconded by Commissioner Fisher the Commissioners vote to change the GM contact for the car allowance from \$300 to \$500 effected on August 1, 2022. Vote 3-0

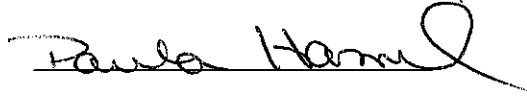
On a motion by Commissioner Denault seconded commissioner Fisher the commissioners have formally move GM Usovicz from probationary to permanent GM of the Merrimac Light Department. Vote 3-0

Commissioner Denault noted at town meeting the Water Department had an article to do solar power at the department. GM Usovicz said she would talk with the water department about it.

On a motion by Commissioner Denault seconded by Commissioners Fisher, the Commissioners voted to enter in executive session and not return to regular session the regular at 5:54 PM. Vote 3-0

  
Chairman

  
Vice Chair

  
Secretary