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November 7, 2011

## NOTICE MEETING OF THE ELECTRIC COMMITTEE (Blaies/Smith/Matchett)

An Electric Committee Meeting of the Village of Freeburg will be held at the Municipal Center, Executive Board Room, **Wednesday, November 9, 2011, at 5:30 p.m.**

### ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING AGENDA

#### I. Items to be Discussed

##### A. Old Business

1. Approval of October 12, 2011 minutes and Executive Session minutes
2. Franchise Fee (Ameren)
3. Highway lighting
4. HAPS
5. Portable Generator repair and replacement
6. Fuel Cost Adjustment
7. Arc Flash Study
8. Spill containment/Wiegmann's expansion
9. HD Supply Safety Audit
10. Digger truck/Demo
11. American Tower Request
12. Spreadsheet of agreements
13. Work on electric poles/transformers behind grade school
14. Lineman position
15. Professional Metal Works purchase of lot
16. North Power Plant Damage
17. Shed

##### B. New Business

##### C. General Concerns

##### D. Public Participation

##### E. Adjourn

At said Electric Committee Meeting, the Village Trustees may vote on whether or not to hold an Executive Session to discuss the selection of a person to fill a public office [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c) (3)], litigation [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(11)] personnel [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c) (1) a.]; or real estate transactions [5 ILCS, 120/2 - (c)(5)].

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**ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING**  
Wednesday, November 9, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting of the Electric Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 by Chairman Mike Blaies. Committee members present were Chairman Mike Blaies, Trustee Steve Smith, Trustee Ray Matchett, Village Clerk Jerry Menard, Assistant Public Works Director John Tolan, Village Administrator Dennis Herzing and Office Manager Julie Polson.

**A. OLD BUSINESS:**

1. Approval of October 12, 2011 minutes: Trustee Steve Smith motioned to approve the October 12, 2011 minutes and Trustee Ray Matchett seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried. Executive Session minutes for 8/12/09 and 2/12/09 were provided. Julie stated she had done an inventory of minutes and found these had not been presented for approval. Steve recommended them for approval since no other trustees were on the committee at that time.
2. Franchise Fee (Ameren): Dennis needs to see how many Freeburg residents are on Ameren power to see if the franchise fee would be worth pursuing
3. Highway lighting: John wants to hold off on this and check with other towns to see what they think of these new LED street lights.
4. HAPS: John said BHM&G is still working at the south plant. We received a call from IMEA asking when we will be exercising our generators this month. John said he has BHM&G working on unit #6. That unit is exercised quarterly and the rest of the generators are exercised on a monthly basis. We have scheduled the units to be exercised on 11/22/11 and BHM&G will be out here at that time. John said we needed to get going on this so we don't lose our generation credits for November. The committee briefly discussed the letter from IMEA regarding bills being introduced into Congress regarding NESHAP.
5. Portable Generator Repair and Replacement: Nothing new.
6. Fuel Cost Adjustment: Nothing new.
7. Arc Flash Study: Ongoing.
8. Spill containment/Wiegmann: Dennis said Dean Park has corresponded with Wiegmanns and he is waiting on them to measure loads at different areas of the plant.
9. Safety Training: John said we are working on setting up another safety training session with our IMLRMA representative. Julie asked our rep to check into a certified trenching and shoring class.
10. Digger truck/demo: John said our guys went to Waterloo to look over a truck they have. It is smaller than the Altec truck we had for a day. The guys would like a little smaller truck with four-wheel drive. John is going to sit down with the rep and actually design a truck and see what it

costs. He thinks it's going to run between \$180,000 to \$190,000. The larger truck that Mascoutah has costs around \$250,000. Dennis said it would make sense to finance the purchase over 6 or 7 years rather than a shorter term of 2 - 3 years since we'll have the truck for 15 - 20 years.

11. American Tower Request: We have not heard back from American Tower.

12. Spreadsheet of agreements: Mike asked Julie to bring an updated spreadsheet to next month's meeting.

13. Work on electric poles/transformers behind grade school: John said we switched over the old portion of the grade school and we have scheduled the remainder of the work to be done on 11/22. John said we'll also need to install a new service for the old bus garage. We will send a letter to Tomi Diefenbach on that.

14. Lineman position:

**EXECUTIVE SESSION  
6:00 P.M.**

*Trustee Steve Smith motioned to enter into Executive Session citing personnel, 5 ILCS 120/2-(c)(1)a and Trustee Ray Matchett seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*

**EXECUTIVE SESSION ENDED  
6:23 P.M.**

*Trustee Steve Smith motioned to end the Executive Session at 6:23 p.m. and Trustee Ray Matchett seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried. The regular session of the Electric Committee resumed at 6:23 p.m.*

15. Professional Metal Works purchase of lot: Dennis has not heard back from Dennis Kaiser. Item can be taken off the agenda.

16. North Power Plant Damage: John said they installed a pole with a motion security light and 1st Choice Fencing was out yesterday to repair the damage. The police department has added extra patrols in that area. Item can be taken off the agenda.

17. Shed: John said we met with Ron yesterday and he gave some ideas on the design of the shed. Dennis will put together a design.

**B. NEW BUSINESS:** John said we've had the ongoing issue with Deerfield Trailer Court and electrical problems and repairs. He is questioning why are they on our lines from the pole to the meter? John said every other place in town, we always go to the meter. Dennis and John talked about taking over the maintenance and repair of all of the lines and poles like we do everywhere else. John said this way everything will be put in correctly and should alleviate a lot of the problems. The Committee agreed and Dennis will send a letter to Dave Self about this.

**C. GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

**E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Steve Smith motioned to adjourn at 6:32 p.m. and Trustee Ray Matchett seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*

Julie Polson, Office Manager



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ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING  
Wednesday, October 12, 2011 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting of the Electric Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, October 12, 2011 by Chairman Mike Blaies. Committee members present were Chairman Mike Blaies, Trustee Steve Smith, Trustee Ray Matchett, Assistant Public Works Director John Tolan, Village Administrator Dennis Herzing and Office Manager Julie Polson.

## A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of September 14, 2011 minutes: Trustee Steve Smith motioned to approve the September 14, 2011 minutes and Trustee Ray Matchett seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.
2. Switchover of Ameren to Freeburg power: John said the nursing home is done. Item can be taken off the agenda.
3. Franchise Fee (Ameren): Dennis needs to see how many Freeburg residents are on Ameren power to see if the franchise fee would be worth pursuing
4. Highway lighting: John wants to hold off on this and check with other towns to see what they think of these new LED street lights.
5. HAPS: John said BHM&G has been working at the south plant. They are getting a lot done. During the course of this project, they needed to work on the railroad right-of-way and we didn't have an easement for that. Dennis thinks this will cost about \$5,000 and he said he does not think the Village should have to pay that additional cost since this work is being done under a fixed fee contract. John said we had to take off an air intake pipe from unit #9 which will benefit us but might cost some additional money. John further said they are very close to being done at the north plant and the project will be done far in advance of the EPA deadline.
6. Portable Generator Repair and Replacement: Nothing new.
7. Fuel Cost Adjustment: Nothing new.
8. Arc Flash Study: We gave Chuck from BHM&G the requested information. He will need to come back out and look at other locations.
9. Spill containment/Wiegmann: Dennis needs to follow up with Dean Park on this.
10. Safety Training: John would like to set up training on a state certified class in trenching and shoring.
11. Digger truck/demo: John said we only had the Altec demo truck for one day. They had to take it to a show and we will get it back after that. We are also going to look at having Terex give us a truck to demo as well.

12. American Tower Request: We have not heard back from American Tower.
13. Spreadsheet of agreements: Ongoing.
14. Policy on backup generators: The Village requires a permit for a backup generator and a county inspection will be required. Item can be taken off the agenda.
15. Work on electric poles/transformers behind grade school: John said we will possibly work on this next Friday and then line up another day or evening to finish the work.
16. Lineman position: We advertised last week and have not received any applications. It is in this week's paper. We'll go ahead and run it for an additional week and then maybe put it in the Belleville or St. Louis paper. IMEA also has the listing posted on its website and it will go out in the quarterly newspaper if the position is not filled.
17. Professional Metal Works purchase of lot: John said Shane and Clark met with Dennis Kaiser. He said Dennis is in the very preliminary stages of purchasing another lot. Dennis said we just received the warranty deed and title for the buyback of Lot 13 so he will send a letter to Kaiser.
18. North Power Plant Damage: John said they installed a pole with a motion security light and 1st Choice Fencing was out yesterday to repair the damage. The police department has added extra patrols in that area.

**B. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. EcoHome Calendar: APPA has eco@home calendars available for purchase at \$.75 each. The calendar provides 12 months of energy saving tips. The committee decided not to participate in this program.

John said they are running out of room and would like to keep the shed in the works. He asked if we could take the money out of the electric fund to purchase the shed. We have Tilly, the oldest bucket truck, that isn't safe to use and taking up a lot of room. Steve asked John to get an estimate to fix the truck. John would like to surplus Tilly, an old air compressor and spreadbox feeder. John would like to move forward with the design of the shed and said we can do some of the work ourselves and the committee agreed.

The part-time leaf collection applications were reviewed and John recommends we hire David Beshars, Michael Peters and Kevin Polson. This will be taken to the Personnel Committee meeting for their review and recommendation to the board.

**C. GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

**E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Steve Smith motioned to adjourn at 6:32 p.m. and Trustee Ray Matchett seconded the motion. All voting aye, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson  
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**Memorandum**

**Date:** 10/18/2011

**To:** IMUA Electric Utility Members

**From:** Ronald D. Earl, President & CEO

**Re:** NESHAP RICE update

We have two new events related to the NESHAP RICE rule to report.

First, bills have been introduced in the United States Congress that would essentially void the rule for municipal or cooperative diesel generation units. Representative Bob Latta (R-OH) and Senator Jerry Moran (R-KS) introduced legislation that would limit the applicability of the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants for Reciprocal Internal Combustion Engines (RICE). The legislation, H.R. 3185 in the House and S. 1702 in the Senate, would provide that the existing compression ignition (CI) and spark ignition RICE rules would have no legal force or effect if such units are operated to generate electricity or power a water pump by:

- A state or local government, political subdivision, or agency;
- A public or cooperatively owned utility; or
- Persons or entities engaged in the production of agricultural commodities, including livestock.

While the House bill has a chance of passage, action is much less likely in the Senate. Still, we will keep you apprised as we work this issue.

Secondly, we have been notified that US EPA has just granted a notice of reconsideration of the rule that deals with the question of using units for peak shaving. It is not clear exactly what they are reconsidering at this time. EPA says they will make its intentions known when it publishes the notice in the Federal Register sometime soon.

As noted in previous updates, we are still awaiting what we thought would be final tweaks in this rule from US EPA on using emergency units (as designated under the rule) for voltage support or other non-emergency situations. That issue is separate from those noted above.

We will provide that information to you as soon as we have it.

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