

March 30, 2009
Michigan Public Service Commission
6545 Mercantile Way
Lansing, MI 48911
10:00 a.m.
Minutes

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by the Board Chair, David Walters at 10:00 a.m.

Roll Call

Members Present: Julie Baldwin, Steve Brock, Trevor Lauer, John Miceli, Mary Templeton, Thomas Vitez, Dave Walters

Members Participating by Phone: Robert Ianni
Joe DeVito, Alternate for Rodger Kershner

Alternates Present: David Bertram, Susan Harley, Cindy Norlin

II. Adoption of the Agenda

The Chair asked if there were changes, deletions or additions to the agenda. John Miceli made a motion to accept the agenda. The motion was seconded by Trevor Lauer. The Board adopted the agenda.

III. Approval of the proposed minutes of the March 16, 2009 meeting.

The Chair asked if there were changes, deletions or additions to the proposed minutes.

Joe DeVito proposed three additions to the minutes to provide clarification. He read these to the Board and Board members were agreeable to these changes. The changes will be incorporated into the minutes and posted on the website. Mary Templeton made a motion to approve the minutes with the suggested additions. The motion was seconded by David Bertram. The Board approved the minutes as presented.

IV. Report Writer Consultant Selection

Proposals were received from seven consultants. The subcommittee consisted of Julie Baldwin, John Miceli, Mary Templeton and David Wright. The criteria for basing their decision was budget, experience and whether the scope of work was met. Mary explained to the Board that the subcommittee recommended the proposal from Public Sector Consultants - Land Policy Institute. This proposal met all aspects of the RFP

requirements. The subcommittee believed that Land Policy Institute - Public Sector Consultants has a strong understanding of the RFP. If a second place award were to be made in the event that Public Sector Consultants - Land Policy Institute did not move forward, that award should go to Spicer. Ms. Templeton thanked all who submitted proposals. Ms. Templeton made a motion to recommend that the Public Service Commission award this RFP to Public Sector Consultants - Land Policy Institute. Mr. Miceli supported the motion. The motion was passed.

V. ATC Presentation on UP Transmission Study

Brent French, Senior Regional Manager of Externally Relations for Michigan made a presentation to the Board. His presentation is available on the website.

VI. Discussion with Land Policy Institute

Chuck McKeown of the MSU - Land Policy Institute provided an update about where LPI is in their process and outlined the deliverables to the Board between now and the next meeting. He said that some work has slowed slightly because of DNR exclusions and technical issues with file size, i.e., wetlands data, for example. He showed what some of these exclusions look like. He also showed a 450 meter turbine grid map. He said that he would like to start breaking this down by region to show Board members how the power numbers differ by region. More remaining scenarios and/or exclusions will be done by the end of the week of March 30. He will email these pieces to the Board members.

VII. Planning Discussion

John Miceli shared information from the MISO Wind Integration Workshop that he recently participated in.

The Board will not be meeting again until April 20th.

VIII. Public Comment

The Chair opened the meeting for public comment.

Hearing none, the meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am.