

August 10, 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, Bob Ianni, John Miceli, Mary Templeton,  
Tom Vitez, David Walters,

Member Participating by Phone: David Wright

Alternates Present: David Bertram, Alternate for Gene Jorissen  
Cindy Norlin, Alternate for Trevor Lauer

II. Webmeeting Announcement.

Julie Baldwin, Board Secretary, provided technical assistance for the webmeeting.

III. Adoption of the Agenda.

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

Ms. Templeton made a motion to accept the agenda. The motion was seconded by Mr. Miceli. The Board adopted the Agenda.

IV. Approval of the proposed minutes of the May 26, 2009 meeting.

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

Mr. Miceli made a motion to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded by Ms. Templeton. The Board approved the minutes.

V. Review local government comments with Public Sector Consultants.

A discussion was held with Sally Talberg (Board's Report Writer Consultant) regarding local government comments received to date. Ms. Talbert presented this information using a presentation posted on the Board's website:

[http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mpsc/LocalGovernment-presentation\\_288270\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mpsc/LocalGovernment-presentation_288270_7.pdf)

VI. Review agendas and display materials for upcoming public hearings.

The Board decided to have 4 display boards at the public hearings and agreed on the following content:

- Timeline for analysis and roles from Chuck's slide
- Selection of regions slide
- Map of regions overlaid on wind resource (in color)
- Regional power estimate slide

Ms. Talberg, Mr. McKeown (the Board's Wind Energy Consultant), and Ms. Baldwin agreed to work together to create these display materials.

The Board reviewed the following materials as part of this agenda item:

[http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mpsc/WERZ\\_public\\_hearing\\_display\\_288272\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mpsc/WERZ_public_hearing_display_288272_7.pdf)

The Board held a discussion about whether to limit the time for commenters to speak. It was decided that the agenda would explain that each commenter would have 3 minutes to speak. The agenda will also include directions for providing written comments.

#### VII. Review Board presentation for upcoming public hearings.

Ms. Talberg presented the proposed slides for the Board's presentation at the public hearings. The slides are available at the Board's website:

[http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mpsc/werzb\\_presentation\\_draft\\_288269\\_7.pdf](http://www.michigan.gov/documents/mpsc/werzb_presentation_draft_288269_7.pdf)

#### VIII. Planning discussion.

The Board discussed the upcoming public hearings and whether it should answer questions and participate in press interviews. The Board decided that questions that could be answered with facts should be answered but questions that require deliberation of the Board would not be answered. Those questions might be considered by the board at an upcoming Board meeting for inclusion in the board's final report FAQ section.

The Board decided that the Chairman would represent the board to the media. Ms. Baldwin said that, Judy Palnau, the MPSC's media relations person, would provide assistance.

Ms. Palnau will also issue a press advisory for the public hearings.

The Board decided to put together a fact sheet to give to the media after the meeting to help explain the Board's work and the purpose of the public hearings.

The Board added two additional regular meetings: September 28 & October 12.

#### IX. Public comments.

Mr. Mike Serafin of Detroit Edison commented that the recommendation provided in the Public Sector comment summary slides regarding distance setback from houses might mistakenly be interpreted as the Board's recommendation.

Mr. Steve Yancho from the Sleeping Bear Dunes park stated that the park would be filing comments before the September 8 deadline.

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At the conclusion of the public comment period, the chair asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Mr. Miceli. Mr. Brock seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 1:00 p.m..