

STUDY SESSION

The HBPW Board of Directors met
August 25, 2025
at 4:00 p.m.
625 Hastings Ave.
Holland, Michigan

Chair Thompson called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Members Present: PJ Thompson, Carolyn Maalouf, Paul Lilly, Brian Lynn, Kyle Engbers, City Council Liaison Scott Corbin (arrived at 4:14), and Ex Officio Members Dave Couch and Keith Van Beek

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Dave Koster, Janet Lemson, Joel Davenport, Chuck Warren, Becky Lehman, Jenessa Carter, Andrew Reynolds, Amy Yost, Tracy York, Ryan Wieland, Harle Battjes, Julie DeCook

26.037 **Communications From the Audience**

None

26.038 **Efficiency Programs Annual Report**

Michigan Public Act 295 (PA 295) passed in 2008, and as amended by PA 341 and 342 in 2016, requires utilities to file annual reports on their Energy Waste Reduction (EWR) programs. PA 341/342 requirements for municipal utilities to complete these annual filings expired at the end of the CY 2021 program year. The MPSC has encouraged continued annual filings by the electric co-ops and municipal utilities as information for the State.

In response to MPSC's request, HBPW submitted our CY 2024 program results to MPPA and MMEA to be compiled with other member utilities and submitted to the State. We have also chosen to voluntarily continue our annual report to customers via a new residential program catalog and this presentation to the Board.

Starting with the CY 2026 program year, our EWR program will fall under state rules once again (PA 229 of 2023); and we will have a mandated EWR savings goal of 1.5 percent of retail sales.

Study Session item. No Board action needed.

26.039 **Renewable Portfolio Update**

Staff provided a presentation reviewing the performance of HBPW's renewable energy resources in calendar year 2024. The presentation will also provide updates on planned actions in response to recent state legislative changes and the 2025 Integrated Resource Plan (IRP).

Study Session item. No Board action needed.

26.040 **Terms of Service Updates – Utility Deposits**

While HBPW staff were working with the City Attorney's office on deposit language for large customers that are tenants, it was discovered that the City ordinance is in conflict with a few

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requirements of the Revenue Bond Act. HBPW staff will review updates to the Terms of Service

deposit language that will be brought for approval at the September 8 regular Board of Directors meeting. Proposed ordinance changes will be brought to City Council for approval by the City Attorney's office.

Study Session item. No Board action needed.

26.041 **Policy Governance Review - Session 2: Review of Governance Policies**

This session continues a review of Governance policies with a deeper exploration of the Governance group of policies. These policies generally describe the Board of Directors' commitment to governing with excellence and the processes and procedures it will use to ensure that it is meeting that expectation. Further, this section of policies describes the roles and accountabilities of individual members as well as the officers of the Board.

Study Session item. No Board action needed.

26.042 **General Manager Comments**

- Next meeting is a regular, scheduled for September 8

ADJOURNMENT

The Board Meeting of *August 25, 2025*, adjourned at *5:30 p.m.*

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Janet Lemson, Secretary to the Board