

STUDY SESSION

The HBPW Board of Directors met
March 22, 2021
at 4:00 p.m.
Via Zoom Teleconference

Chair Hemingway called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

Members Present: Tim Hemingway, Diane Haworth, Sue Franz, Paul Lilly, P.J. Thompson, City Council Liaison Nathan Bocks, and Ex Officio Members Bob Shilander and Keith Van Beek

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: Dave Koster, Janet Lemson, Ted Siler, Joel Davenport, Becky Lehman, Chuck Warren, Chris Van Dokkumburg, Jane Monroe, Anne Saliers, Amy Yost, Judy Woods, Barry Rutherford, Emily Damaska, Tamara Black

21.188 **Communications from the Audience**

None

21.189 **Financial Update**

For information only

STUDY TOPICS **HBPW Board Committee Recommendations**

21.190 The results of the Board survey were presented at the Special Meeting held on June 27, 2020, at which time an analysis of the findings was presented and discussed. The Board expressed an interest in forming a Board Committee to explore the results and recommendations of the survey.

Study Session topic. No Board action required.

21.191 **Anaerobic Digester / Envision Update**

The scope of the Anaerobic Digester project is one that has been shaped by Sustainable Return on Investment (SROI). It also is a project that has evolved through the usage of the Envision sustainability framework developed by the Institute for Sustainable Infrastructure (ISI). With design complete and construction underway, staff is focused on completing documentation of the efforts and improvements implemented in accordance with that framework. The intent of this study session topic is to provide the Board with a general overview of the Envision process and examples of project outcomes that the framework helped shape.

Study Session topic. No Board action required.

21.192 **EWR 2020 Results and 2021 Plans**

The State of Michigan passed the Clean, Renewable, and Efficient Energy Act (Public Act 295) late 2008. The overall goal of the energy optimization (EO) portion of the law, now called Energy Waste Reduction (EWR), is to reduce future costs of provider service to customers. EWR plans are to include program offerings for each customer class and are reported to the Michigan Public Service Commission on a calendar year basis. This is a review of the HBPW 2020 Energy Smart program initiatives and results and an overview of the plans and metrics underway for 2021.

** Red italics indicate information or discussion added during the meeting and/or action taken.*

- Calendar year 2020 EWR program initiatives and results
- Calendar year 2021 EWR program plans and metrics

Study Session topic. No Board action required.

21.193 **Review of Delegation Policies D016 through D018**

Governance Policy G001 Governing Philosophy establishes the attributes of leadership and the specific practices that the Board intends to demonstrate. Through this policy, the Board Members are called upon to lead proactively and be faithful to the BPW's core purpose and core values. This policy further calls upon the Board to periodically evaluate and discuss its process and performance with respect to Governance and Delegation Policies. Delegation Policies were last reviewed in the 2008 Strategic Planning Process.

Through the Strategic Planning process, staff determined that some policies originally approved as Results Policies ("R" series) belonged instead in the Delegation series of policies. These former Results Policies will be reviewed and renumbered into the proper category.

Study Session topic. No Board action required.

21.194 **General Manager Comments**

Our next meeting, a Regular Board Meeting, is scheduled to take place on April 12, 2021. We will keep all posted as to whether we are returning to in-person meetings versus a Zoom meeting.

21.195 **Board Comments**

None

ADJOURNMENT

The Board Meeting of *March 22, 2021*, adjourned at *6:27 p.m.*

Minutes respectfully submitted by,

Janet Lemson, Secretary to the Board