

Municipal Electric Power Association of Virginia

November 17, 2016 Charlottesville

Minutes

- I. MEPAV President, A.K. Briele, called the meeting to order at 10:05am. Also present were:

Tim Logwood, Radford	Kelly Wright, VTES
Fran DeBellio, VTES	Thomas Dick, MEPAV
Michelle Gowdy, VML	Mike Stover, Culpeper
Mark Bly, Franklin	Brian O'Dell, Harrisonburg
Durwin Joyce, Martinsville	

- II. Michelle Gowdy, executive secretary-treasurer, reported on the status of the current budget. There was general discussion about the lobbying carryover, legal expenses and the miscellaneous expenses. Dues were also discussed and the Associate member list will be circulated for updating. A review of the master list will also be conducted and the checking/LGIP numbers will be reported via email. The dues notices should go out prior to December 10th.

- III. Mark Bly made a motion, seconded by Brian O'Dell to approve the minutes from the July 21, 2016 meeting in Charlottesville. They were approved unanimously.

- IV. New Business

Audit – Michelle indicated that she would look into whether or not MEPAV was included in the VML audit and provide further information.

Website – Mr. Briele had a handout related to the website; he indicated that Salem could no longer host the website and therefore signed up for GoDaddy to host the website. The City of Salem IT department will convert the website, but he asked if anyone had any changes to the site. There was general discussion, but no suggested changed.

- V. Legislative Report – Mr. Dick handed out an article regarding renewable energy options in VA. There was discussion regarding solar energy that included power purchase agreements and maps of project. The net metering talk included the fact that a mediator is now involved in negotiations. There was discussion of the VML legislative priorities to include HB1347, the regional greenhouse gas initiative and SCC jurisdiction over utilities. Pole Attachments and the process now and potentially in the future. All of the attendees indicated that they were not using drones; Mr. Dick indicated he had attended a meeting on drones during this week.

- VI. Old Business – The conference was the discussion and each attendee received a handout of several years of conferences and their speakers. There was general consensus to not have a paid speaker and to ask Bill Murray, Managing Director, Corporate Public Policy Dominion Resources and Joe Nipper, Senior Vice President, Government Relations APPA to speak. It

was agreed that contact would be made with Howard Spinner, Director of Economics and Finance, Virginia State Corporation Commission to speak on pole attachments.

Old business also included discussion on hosting an event at the VML Conference in an attempt to educate local officials.

- VII. E&O Committee Report – There was nothing to report, but they did decide to have a meeting in Harrisonburg around the 1st of April on a Tuesday and Wednesday. Topics may include an NESC update, APPA, AMI Issues, LED light conversion and performance contracts on government buildings.

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Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Gowdy
Executive Secretary – Treasurer