



Public Lighting Authority

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OUR MISSION is to improve,
modernize and maintain the
street lighting system in Detroit.

PUBLIC LIGHTING AUTHORITY
Board of Directors Special Meeting
June 19, 2019

Board Member in Attendance

Dr. Lorna Thomas, Chair
Melvin Butch Hollowell
Patrick Padgett, Secretary
Rod Parker, Treasurer
Ric Preuss
Beau Taylor, Executive Director

Resolution:

Resolution 2019-04
Resolution 2019-05

Motions Carried/Failed:

Resolution 2019-04 Carried
Resolution 2019-05 Carried

Legal Representative(s)

George Pitchford
Floyd Allen (via teleconference)

CALL TO ORDER

The Special Board Meeting of the Public Lighting Authority (PLA) was held on June 19, 2019 at the PLA, 65 Cadillac Square, Suite 3100, Detroit, MI 48226. Dr. Lorna Thomas, Chair of the Board, called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken by Patrick Padgett, Secretary. Members in attendance included: Dr. Lorna Thomas, Chair, Melvin Butch Hollowell, Rod Parker, Treasurer, and Ric Preuss. Also in attendance was Beau Taylor, Executive Director, and George Pitchford, Legal Representative. In attendance via teleconference was Floyd Allen, Legal Representative.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion made to amend the agenda to include the closed session minutes from the May 14, 2019 special meeting by: Melvin Butch Hollowell
Motion seconded by: Patrick Padgett
Motion Carried

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion made to approve the April 17, 2019 Special Board Meeting Minutes, May 14, 2019 Special Board Meeting Minutes, and May 14, 2019 Closed Session Meeting Minutes (as corrected) by: Melvin Butch Hollowell

Motion seconded by: Rod Parker

Motion Carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- a. 2019 – 2020 Budget

Below is the 2019 – 2020 Budget submitted by Mohamed Hassan, PLA CFO

Public Lighting Authority
Fiscal Year Budget
July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

Revenue:

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|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Interlocal Agreement Fees | \$ 10,500,000.00 |
| Utility User Tax Revenue | \$ 12,500,000.00 |
| Other Income | <u>\$ 3,289,525.00</u> |
| Total Revenue | \$ 26,289,525.00 |

Expenses:

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|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Operations & Maintenance Expense | \$ 7,504,337.94 |
| Debt Service on Bonds Issued | \$ 12,500,000.00 |
| Capital Improvements | <u>\$ 10,892,103.03</u> |
| Total Expenses | \$ 30,896,440.97 |
| Excess Revenue over/under Expenses | <u><u>\$ (4,606,915.97)</u></u> |

Public Lighting Authority
Fiscal Year Budget
July 1, 2019 - June 30, 2020

Revenue:

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| Interlocal Agreement Fees | \$ 10,500,000.00 | |
| Utility User Tax Revenue | \$ 12,500,000.00 | |
| Other Income | | |
| City of Detroit Streetscape | \$ 2,324,525.00 | |
| City of Detroit Streetscape Engineering | 650,000.00 | |
| Interest Income | 250,000.00 | |
| Insurance Recovery | 15,000.00 | |
| Reimbursements | 50,000.00 | |
| Total Other Income | <u>\$ 3,289,525.00</u> | |
| Total Revenue | | \$ 26,289,525.00 |

Expenses:

Operations & Maintenance Expense

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|---------------------------------------|------------------------|--|
| Compensation | \$ 1,445,037.94 | |
| Professional Fees | 1,215,000.00 | |
| Occupancy | 118,000.00 | |
| Time & Units | 3,000,000.00 | |
| Materials | 1,200,000.00 | |
| Tree Trimming | 150,000.00 | |
| Office Expenses | 45,150.00 | |
| Insurance | 195,000.00 | |
| Travel, Meeting & Conferences | 10,000.00 | |
| Auto Expenses | 66,150.00 | |
| Public & Community Relations | 20,000.00 | |
| Other Expenses | 40,000.00 | |
| Total Operation & Maintenance Expense | <u>\$ 7,504,337.94</u> | |

Debt Service on Bonds Issued

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|------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Bond Interest | \$ 8,461,000.00 | |
| Bond Principal Payment | 3,545,000.00 | |
| Bond Rating Fees | 5,000.00 | |
| Annual Trust Fees | 5,000.00 | |
| UUT Residual | 484,000.00 | |
| Total Debt Service | <u>\$ 12,500,000.00</u> | |

Capital Improvements

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|------------------------------------|-------------------------|--|
| Compensation | \$ 330,928.03 | |
| Professional Fees | 100,000.00 | |
| Streetscape Construction | 2,190,000.00 | |
| Streetscape Engineering | 650,000.00 | |
| Streetscape Material | 570,000.00 | |
| Leatek Construction | 3,332,000.00 | |
| Leatek Material | 3,219,175.00 | |
| Other Expenses | 500,000.00 | |
| Total Capital Improvement Expenses | <u>\$ 10,892,103.03</u> | |

Total Expenses **\$ 30,896,440.97**

Excess Revenue over/under Expenses **\$ (4,606,915.97)**

Dr. Thomas asks are we being asked to approve a deficit budget?

Beau Taylor – Yes and no. The reason there's a deficit budget is because we have included all of the cost of the Leotek switch out without any anticipated revenue. This was done because we do not believe we will be able to get this reconciled from a financial standpoint within the next fiscal though we will have to expend dollars within the next fiscal year.

George Pitchford – This is possible especially as this is subject to negotiation/settlement talks as it is right now, there is a chance it will be resolved before the end of the fiscal year, but this is really the conservative approach.

Melvin Butch Hollowell – It's smart to book it like that.

Beau Taylor – in addition, though there is a little sticker shock, we need to understand that even if we replace 20K lights right now, at a cost of x?, that means we will not have to replace 20K 5 years from now, we just pulled it forward. Now there is an argument that we didn't get 5 years of useful life out of those lights, but what \$ value is associated with that I think will probably be a major point of contention as we litigate this matter. It's sticker shock, but is offset significantly by proceeds we will get, as well as money we don't have to spend. If you go to the next page, what I did do this year as not done in year's past is breakdown the budget a little more so we understand exactly what cost centers we're working under, being more transparent.

Ric Preuss- Are we expecting to have a longer lifespan with these newer lights?

Beau Taylor – Longer than 3 -4 years, yes. But again we typically use 10 years as the barometer for LED lights. They could last 15 years they could last longer but assume its' 10 years. We only got 3-4 years out of the Leotek' s, so we pulled the replacement forward. So down the road 20 years from now, we're going to have to replace them 5 years earlier. The assumption is as technology progresses they become cheaper.

If you look at next year's budget, it has not changed all that much, I will say that if you take the Leotek's out of it, it leaves us about \$1.9M budgeted excess. We had that same budgeted excess in years past, and our goal is to achieve more than that, we just want to make sure that we have enough in the budget in case everything goes exactly worst case scenario which is what we've done – we've budgeted \$3M for maintenance contractors, \$1.2M for materials. One thing that has jumped a little is professional fees. With the amount of litigation that we have that is to be expected. Our contract for legal services is not inclusive of litigation expense, and we have 2 relatively large pieces of litigation that we're working through right now. I believe in the end we're expecting it to pay for itself.

Dr. Thomas – There's an item under revenue, Insurance Recovery. Is recovery for pole knockdowns?

Beau Taylor – Yes. I was hoping it would be more.

Dr. Thomas - I'm just happy to see that much because the report that I was getting was that most of the pole knock downs were done by drivers who were uninsured, so there would be no opportunity.

George Pitchford – There are 3 categories that we have found. There is drivers who have insurance (the smallest); drivers who have insurance but is not valid (something wrong with the policy); and drivers with no insurance.

Beau Taylor – added drivers who take off.

Melvin Butch Hollowell – You're going to be in the 70% range. But that will change now that the Governor has signed the auto insurance bill. A year from now, you'll see something different.

Beau Taylor – the number in the Budget I am most proud of and like is the Interest Income number. That is a result of us moving our reserve funds from a non-interest bearing risk free account, to an interest bearing risk free account.

Melvin Butch Hollowell – what would be helpful to me as I look at these numbers is an apples/apples comparison. If we had another tab which had July 1 2018 to June 30 2019 and a lookback to year 1 (2014 for purposes of discussion), so we can see what the trend lines are.

Rod Parker – Are you talking budgets or actuals?

Melvin Butch Hollowell – Both, because you have to compare here's what we have, here's what we've spent. Then as we go in years forward, we're able to look at what we're doing trend wise.

Beau Taylor – at that point, you could say, why did tree trimming go up by this...

Melvin Butch Hollowell – or to the Chair's point why are the auto insurance numbers are so better in 2020/2021 than in 2019?

Ben Barker – We're getting more police reports as well.



George Pitchford – I’ve said it before and I’ll say it again, only because I often hear the negative the other way, but, that is a result of DPD actually working with us to change their internal procedures so that their officers now know that if they go to the scene of an accident, and there a pole knockdown, they need to loop us in and get the police report.

Melvin Butch Hollowell – I’m a big believer in the words “Thank You. So it’s not beyond us to write a letter to the Chief signed by PLA/ALG saying Thank You. It can be shared with the guys who are out there, doing their thing. It goes a long way.

Rod Parker – What about streetscape materials?

Beau Taylor – Materials are materials in excess of what is going into the field that’s essentially our inventory so if anything breaks or if some get hit we need excess inventory. And since they are turning the asset over to PLA, it would be materials for future use, not current, making it a maintenance expense.

Dr. Thomas – So even though it is a deficit budget, it really isn’t.

Beau Taylor – It’s not an operating deficit, it’s cumulative because of a one-time expense that we have money in a reserve fund to cover. The nice thing I think we do here is have that reserve fund. We were concerned that people were besmirch us for having it; but this lighting replacement issue is a great example of why we have a reserve like this to mitigate problems.

Patrick Padgett – I have a question. So we’re putting in new lamps but taking a significant number out – did we fully take the depreciation out of this years’ budget?

Rod Parker – Streetlights are considered mass assets (utility accounting) so they are depreciated over the life of the system – 30 years.

b. 5G – Verizon Wireless Licensing Agreement

Beau Taylor explains that we must discuss this issue at this Board meeting due to time sensitive issues on the part of Verizon Wireless that must be taken care of. The document submitted in the board package is boilerplate language for all providers initially drafted prior to legislation which capped a revenue line in the contract. So we have not had the contract drawn up formally due to law department turnover and he does not want to have a special Board Meeting. So Beau is asking the Board to give him the authority to enter into this agreement, recognizing this is a copy of the others with the exception of the matters changed due to legislation. Beau promises to work with Floyd and George to remain consistent on that.

George Pitchford – Linda Bruton At the Law Department is now working on the contract. So basically, what Beau would be authorizing is exactly what the Board has authorized with the other carriers. It will not be an exact mirror of the other ones. Substantively the same, subject to the legislation Beau mentioned previously.

Melvin Butch Hollowell – So this should be styled is that the Board should delegate the authority to the Executive Director to enter into the Verizon Contract as substantially similar to the other carriers.

Ric Preuss – All providers were to standardize what they would put onto our poles. Has that conversation taken place?

Dr. Thomas – That’s the part two, because we have some fairly stringent requirements about what the poles will look like; what can go up.

Ric Preuss – So approving this does not approve that?

Dr. Thomas – No, This is just the licensing agreement.

Beau – This agreement allows Verizon to submit applications for us to approve. For example, one carrier will be purchasing lights pretty close to clones of ours with the equipment built in. Other carriers may attach, but our attachment requirements will be based on the color match. Other things we must take into consideration is whether the circuit can carry the load. We have to make sure there are not so many contiguous that it effects the aesthetic nature of the road. We will have a master map with all locations designated – once they’re taken up, companies will get what’s left. That’s why it’s important to get this contract passed so all are applying on the same level playing field.

Ric Preuss- At whose expense are we doing load calculation, engineering etc.?

Mukesh Patel – Vendor will be responsible for all costs, even heavy-duty poles if necessary.

Beau Taylor –It’s not tied to our lighting circuit, it’s tied to a special event circuit so PLA along with the City. It won’t affect the lights. It will affect the lights if other providers are on the same special events circuit so we’re working with them from a du diligence standpoint. They are paying the city for electricity if they are tapping the circuit, which would cover any incidentals.

Ric Preuss – So it will be 4 times as many cell sites as we currently have?

Beau Taylor – Beau states he doesn’t know how many cell sites we have right now, but he will make a determination in the Central Business District as to how many there should be.

He believes there are 2,000 lights presently in the Central Business District. Anything more than 20% of the poles being occupied is excessive

Ric Preuss – Do we know the number of amps per pole? There's no realistic plan or standardization of this, and it could be a potential problem.

Beau Taylor - We've looked at the amps and it does not appear they will draw a lot of power. My main concern is you only have so much room in conduit and under sidewalks. With the growth in the city what's already there – what's wanting to go in there is a bigger issue than anything the PLA must deal with – it's something that the City in general needs to look at. Because there will be so much underground, it will become confusing to anyone who puts a shovel in the ground.

Melvin Butch Hollowell – The other way to look at it is this – the way the lighting ordinance re-written was to allow for connectivity above ground but as we look at below ground, now there's an issue of how we maximize the ability to co-locate lines underground because of the expanding need to do more things. How do we put a policy in place?

Beau Taylor – 5G is bigger than the PLA. This is a nationwide issue that is being rolled out and we're a major American city that needs to be on par with other major American cities are doing. We don't want to be the last one.

Ric Preuss – If we take a little more time and plan it thoughtfully, we will have a better product.

Beau Taylor – Absolutely.

Dr. Thomas – Who is the point person at the City?

Beau Taylor – Beth Niblock, Bryan Aman, and John Prymack. We meet about once every two weeks to discuss these issues.

Melvin Butch Hollowell – I want to go to Board Member Preuss' line of thinking on this. You're saying you want us to wait on a policy, and is that balanced against the need to move why? That is...There's the need for speed because...

Beau Taylor – Because 5G is getting rolled out nationwide as the next generation of cellular connectivity as well as data connectivity beyond the cellular sphere. And it's getting rolled out in cities – and they're saying which ones are first, second, third and so on....and Detroit is behind the curve on this. They install these things all over the country the same way they are going to do it here. But with having the Authority separate from the city, that's where we must get together and have a combined policy on this. A lot of it will be discretion based on coordination. Even if we were to have parameters, they will be self-

imposed parameters unless we go to City Council and get an Ordinance, which I don't believe would be best.

Melvin Butch Hollowell – So do we lose money or positions with other cities in the country with access to new technology? Or is it a marketing thing, to say “we're best in class” city for getting on top of these things as they roll it out?

Beau Taylor – I would say the latter two. We do have Verizon here if you would like to opine.

Scott Hubbell, Principal Engineer, Verizon Wireless - Verizon has been working with DoIT and the City to formalize a plan for 5G economic development benefit to the City in terms of technology advancement for the community. It is also being used to help close digital divide – in many areas there is limited areas to broadband services.

Tupac Hunter, Governmental Affairs, Verizon - It's Verizon's intention to partner with the City of Detroit. He states he understands there is some heart burn many cities feel because of the the legislation passed. However, Verizon is looking at a couple billion dollars in capital investment that's being pumped into these states where we're building. Detroit was recently announced as one of 20 additional cities will be deploying this new technology, so our intention is to come in and not hide behind legislation and try to be “heavy-handed” with the team. We've come to the table saying what can we do to work with you to deploy in the City of Detroit. We're working with Beth Niblock's office, identifying opportunities to partner with the City to close the digital divide supporting the Mayor's community education commission – particularly the robotics program. These emerging technologies will be powered by 5G so it's in our interest while we roll out our infrastructure to be around, be solid corporate citizens, to see the deployment all the way through because we will be here and continue to invest, and we want to partner with the City to sustain that partnership.

Scott Hubbell – This process has been in the works. We're prepared to invest millions of dollars in the City of Detroit, and we don't do that without thinking about every aspect of our deployment where it goes, who we serve, how we deploy, where we deploy. We've worked very closely with Beau – listening to the many suggestions not only from Beau and the PLA about our aesthetics, but also other members of the City so that we have streamlined our deployment to as minimal amount of equipment as possible, as much separation as possible to still deliver the speeds required. We're also laying fiber which is the foundation of our network – that enables fiber to the curb to many businesses. So, as we're building this broadband network of wireless, we're also putting in a world-class fiber infrastructure similar to Google fiber. Moving fast in this market is very important. Contrary to what Beau mentioned about being behind in Detroit, we're just about even with every other city. We're in the top 25 deployments – we've deployed 4 or 5 communities as pilots that evolved into a commercial launch – those received great responses in terms

of speeds. Its more than just an antenna and telephone pole - it's an economic tool that draws and drives a lot of business. 80% of all internet usage now is on a wireless device. The same percentage applies to every 911 call made, so adding capacity to the network, the ability to improve public safety, these are call critical to the development of the city. It's like a greenspace downtown – it draws people, it drives economic development, the same with wireless technology.

Melvin Butch Hollowell – I think it's really important for our City to be viewed as best in class as it relates to technology. The second thing that resonated with me was on closing the Broadband gap - that if our city is to continue to ride the redevelopment that we're undergoing, we need to make sure that all of us get there together. And to the extent that we have a disconnect with anybody, we need to close that gap as much as possible. I would reassert the motion that the Board delegate the authority to the Executive Director to enter into this licensing agreement with Verizon which is substantially similar to other carriers with a note that we give him a little room to cut the best deal he can to achieve these policy directives.

Dr. Thomas asks Tupac Hunter if he is allowed to share what other cities that this is going in?

Tupac Hunter states Sacramento, Los Angeles, Houston and Indianapolis were announced last year. A month ago another 20 were announced which included Detroit, Atlanta, and Boston. He was unable to recall the rest. Verizon is on track and working to become the first 2 commercial 5G a promise they take very seriously and what the Board is doing will help them along on the path of being able to help the City of Detroit. He offers to get Dr. Thomas the press release which details the other cities.

Beau Taylor – states he is looking to encourage all providers to look beyond the Central Business District and decorate poles. But, when it comes to the neighborhoods – anywhere you want to, we will be a partner and provide whatever assistance is needed to get Broadband to the neighborhoods. A lot of people do not have in-house internet, but everyone has a phone, so if we make the phone more modern and quicker will enable residents to connect, where's there a real need.

c. Lighting Replacement Update

Beau Taylor starts with the progress on switching out lights. As of today, approximately 3,000 lights have been replaced. We're making significant progress. He believes we could go faster, but we run the chance of running out of material, so we're pacing ourselves by the number of crews to the number of lights being delivered. He believes we can scale up installation even more to peak by the end of July at around 2000 lights/week, predicated on delivery. Also, there are some issues with the settlement/manufacture that may impact this. Whatever we do with them will be predicated on the delivery date that meets our installation demand, not their ability to send us lights. So as long as they fulfill what they

say they will do, which is effectively have lights delivered as quickly as the competitors would if we were to go with the competitors – it would be good to get that completed. We stated a goal by the end of the yearI've publicly stated I wanted this done by the beginning of November, that's when children start walking home from school, after Daylight Saving Time ends, and they have practices that go until 5 – 5:30 sometimes and it's effectively dark at that point. So, I want to make sure we're looking at the completion date through that lens.

Rod Parker – When you say vendor, are you talking about the 2 were selected and not the supplier of the original lights?

Beau Taylor - No. We've ordered 7000 from a competitor – not the vendor we selected that has the problem. We have about 3,000 lights in stock. We're giving the vendor an opportunity to exercise its warranty obligations right now and they're sending us initially around 1,500 lights. And we will see if they can meet our production demand.

Rod Parker – So Leotek is sending us lights?

Beau Taylor – They're back in play, they're not giving us the same model; they're giving us their newer model. We haven't seen any indication that their next generation models are experiencing the same issues but we are going to give them an opportunity.

George Pitchford – Interjects by stating that in regard to any of the lights we're getting from the Leotek manufacturer, this is part of the ongoing negotiations we have going and don't want to go into too much detail, just making the Board aware the lights we gotten are an unconditional grant of lights – meaning that we have waived nothing, or have said this makes everything “okay” or that we're giving up any claims. It's just that they did offer the lights that they are sending thus far, unconditionally to the PLA.

Rod Parker – Will there be an additional cost?

Beau Taylor – No they are not up charging us for that.

Dr. Thomas – Are we still in a suspended state, with regard to the cost of going back up and changing out lights because it was defective, where are we with that?

George Pitchford – I believe Dr. Thomas means has there been any movement on either side as to the cost of labor. That's still a matter under negotiation.

Ric Preuss – So we have 3,000 light up today, 2000 per week is projected?

Beau Taylor – We will get to that point. Probably next week - 1,200. What we don't want to do is install too many too fast and have crews sitting idle, that PLA would have to pay

Ben Barker – Adds we have about 3,000 lights in stock and we'll be getting another 7,100 by the end of the month.

Dr. Thomas – So we still want to stay with the schedule of ~ 1,500/week?

Beau Taylor – On average yes, the first couple of weeks we only got 1,000; so we're going to have to have a couple weeks of 2,000 to balance that out. At the end, if it looks from a timing perspective like we are going to be ahead of schedule, we'll taper off at the end as well and maybe we'll have a couple of circuits the final week. But we should ostensibly be done.

Floyd Allen – Just like to weigh in. Beau and his team has done a yeoman's job getting these things going, scrambling and getting crews, scrambling and getting lights, litigation....There's a lot going on here, and would just like to commend them for getting us to this point.

Dr. Thomas – Agrees and adds we've had lots of visitors in Detroit, foreign press etc., and this is the comeback city and the hallmark of the comeback is that all of the streetlights are on! Beau kicked it up into very high gear and sent me a picture of crews changing lights.

Beau Taylor – One thing we are trying to do is ensure that we are on the same page with the litigation. So, what we're trying to do is not take too much risk, but also make decisions that will impact us significantly. If we have to wait a week we'll go ahead and do that, as long as we have a plan. Floyd, George and their team over there have been aggressive but practical on this and they've been able to effectively communicate with the City's legal department to say we understand, but here are the implications, which really helped me navigate over there. So I believe it's really working out as best as we expect.

Streetscape Projects

Beau states PLA is complete with the Engineering aspect of all of the streetscape projects. PLA provided the Engineering to the City, who is reimbursing us. So all lights designed with be compatible with all streetscape projects. PLA took the project on Vernor Hwy., have broken ground and it should be complete by the beginning of October. The budget for that came in at \$2.3M project, it will come in at \$2.4M. That will be something PLA will have to absorb. But a lot of that is excess material. We could have cut it down, but we would have had to leave certain sidewalks in place that he thought would not have been worth it to save \$100K. It would have impacted the whole look of the project. So we will try to whittle down some costs along the way, but went ahead and said lets go ahead and do it right.

Rod Parker – Is the Vernor streetscape project two separate projects?

Beau Taylor – One project as far as the City is concerned. We broke it up into 2 segments to diversify our contractor pool and give an opportunity to affirm a Detroit Based Business. DPW is doing the other locations.

Mukesh Patel – DPW has started on Livernois removing the median north of 7 Mile.

Beau Taylor – We’re also being responsive for example, if a Council member wants to take me on a drive and point out where lights need to go. We’re going out, taking measurements.

Dr. Thomas – Asks who wants to do this?

Beau Taylor – Councilmember McCalister. He wanted to go out and take a drive, do some measurements... There were some measurements that didn’t line up so we’re adding a light. One area in Sherwood Forest there’s a walk path between Livernois and the neighborhood we’re putting up a pedestrian light in the middle for those who walk at night. We’re trying to be flexible when people come to us with demands that are reasonable. Aside from that maintenance wise, we’re okay. Repairs are being made on time, and we haven’t had a lot of complaints. Operationally, we’re all set. We’re going to be moving probably in November to the 400 Monroe Building. We purchased 2 new vehicles due to age.

Melvin Butch Hollowell – Adds: There’s a Charter issue with what you just mentioned. Under the 2012 Charter, any requests of the Legislative Branch must go through the Chief of Staff, as opposed to directly to the Executive Director.

Beau Taylor – They have not made formal requests.

Melvin Butch Hollowell – States it applies even to informal requests. It’s the separation of powers question. There’s actually legal opinion on it your lawyer actually wrote so, I would follow. Otherwise, you are going to open up a can of worms.

Beau Taylor - So, if I get a random call or go out with them?

Melvin Butch Hollowell – Stick to the process.

Beau Taylor – Should I circle back directly to Alexis?

Melvin Butch Hollowell – Yes.

Dr. Thomas – So I assume that rule would apply if the request comes for any of us?

Melvin Butch Hollowell – It works for anything.

Beau Taylor – Should it be us that does the referral, or should it be the Legislator that makes the referral?

Melvin Butch Hollowell – Everyone should know the rules. I’ll just say that.

d. Approval of Executive Director’s Contract

The Executive Director is petitioning the Board to extend his contract term to end in August 2023 instead of August 2020 and a 9 % raise in salary.

ACTION ITEMS:

Resolution 2019-04 Authorizing Approval of 2019 -2020 Budget

Motion made to approve by: Melvin Butch Hollowell

Seconded by: Patrick Padgett

Motion Carried

Resolution 2019-05 Delegating the Executive Director to Enter into Licensing Agreement with Verizon Wireless as substantially similar to other carriers

Motion made to approve by: Melvin Butch Hollowell

Seconded by: Ric Preuss

Motion Carried

Approval of Executive Director's Contract

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Seconded by: Ric Preuss

Motion Carried

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Thomas adjourned the meeting at 6:08 p.m.

