

**MINUTES
TOWN OF BELMONT
MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD
BELMONT LIGHT CONFERENCE ROOM
40 PRINCE STREET
Tuesday, February 24, 2015
8:30 A.M.**

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I. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Rojas called a regular meeting of the Municipal Light Board (MLB or Light Board) to order at 8:42 A.M.

Present:

MLB- Chair Rojas, Vice Chair Baghdady

Belmont Municipal Light Advisory Board (MLAB)- Vice Chair Forrester (no quorum)

Belmont Light- General Manager Palmer, Staff Keane

Absent:

MLB Member Paolillo

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES DATED 10/30/14 & 11/24/14

Vice Chair Baghdady made a motion to approve the minutes dated 10/30/14 and 11/24/14. Chair Rojas seconded and the motion was unanimously approved (2-0).

III. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

a. Update on substation & transmission project

Palmer gave an update on the project timeline and budget, highlighting that the project team is currently working out some issues with tenants at 20 Flanders Road and that a substantial amount of work is expected to happen at the site within the next 2 months. The project remains on schedule despite some non-critical delays in the demolition work. 4 major equipment RFPs have been recently released and the RFP concerning the transmission line will be issued the 2nd week of March. There may be some challenges going forward, including coordinating with the MBTA, MWRA, and the City of Cambridge, but this is standard for a multi-pronged infrastructure project and the project team is well-equipped to deal with complexities.

IV. UPDATE FROM MLAB

Forrester stated that MLAB will be prepared to present its results and recommendations for General Manager Palmer's performance review to the Light Board during Executive Session at a joint meeting on March 10th.

Prior to adjourning, Rojas said that he would like to find a time to have a public discussion about increasing Belmont Light's percentage of green energy supply. The community cares about this issue, so it should be highlighted.

V. ADJOURNMENT

The Board adjourned at 9:21 A.M.