

CRISP COUNTY POWER COMMISSION
CORDELE, GEORGIA

2:00 P.M.
November 23, 2021

The regular monthly meeting of the Crisp County Power Commission was held on the above-mentioned date and time in the Power Commission Board Room at 202 South Seventh Street.

There Were Present:

John Pridgen, Chairman
Ray Hughes
Rusty Slade
Alissa Wilkerson
Sam Farrow
Mark Crenshaw
Larry Felton

Others Present:

Michael Ivey, General Manager
Ladreka Daniels, Secretary
Rick Lawson, Attorney
Becky Fitzgibbons, Office Manager
Chad Young, IT Director
Troy Gilliam, Resource Manager
Gene Ford, Crisp Co. Community Council
Sherry Evans, Crisp Co. Community Council
Clark Harrell, County Administrator
Chris Hewitt, Tech Services Manager
Blake Manning, Operations Manager
Grant Buckley, IDC Director
Angela Craft, Customer Service Supervisor

Absent:

James Dowdy

Media:

None

Call to Order

Chairman Pridgen called the meeting to order and welcomed all present. Mark Crenshaw will be sitting as a voting member in the absence of James Dowdy.

Grand Jury Appointees

Chairman Pridgen announced the Grand Jury reappointment of himself and Ray Hughes back to the Commission for an additional two-year term, expiring December 31, 2023.

Crisp County Community Council

Sherry Evans, Executive Director with the Crisp County Community Council expressed her sincere appreciation for the donation from the Commission. She briefly explained the Council's mission, vision, and community development goals. She hopes the Commission will contribute to the program again this year and continue to grow in their relationship with the Council to help ensure all kids in Cordele/Crisp County are healthy, ready for school, and successful in school, while living in a safe, self-sufficient family, and a thriving community.

Minutes

A motion was made by Ray Hughes, seconded by Alissa Wilkerson, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the regular October meeting.

Review of October 2021 Financial Statements

Operating Revenues	\$3,421,563.69
Operating Expenses	\$3,313,021.58
Net Revenues (After Adjustments)	\$826,045.97
Year to Date Net Revenues	\$275,007.69
Total Funds On Hand	\$9,140,373.39

Manager Ivey reported sales of energy were less than the same month of the previous year in all major customer classes. HDD for October 2021 were 12.3% less (178 HCDD) than the prior year which saw 203 HCDD and 7.4% below the long-term average. Energy production was down 2.5% than the prior year. Revenue from sales was greater than the same month last year by 3.1%. We are now 15.1% above 2021 budgeted energy sales. YTD total sales are 1.8% below budget.

Hydroelectric production was 55% greater than the long-term average and 13.7% less than same month of the previous year. SEPA generation was 56.6% above the long-term average for the month of October. Ivey reported Unit #2 is out of service for maintenance which means we must spill water than generating electricity.

A motion was made by Alissa Wilkerson, seconded by Ray Hughes, and unanimously carried to approve the October Financial Statements.

Turbine Partial Proof

Manager Ivey presented the executed Proof of Loss statement. Attorney Rick Lawson reported this form acknowledges that the Commission should receive \$1,147,040.00 within thirty (30) days with the remaining balance of the claim due upon completion of the repairs.

Budget Process Schedule

Manager Ivey reminded the Board that the Budget Work Session is scheduled for Tuesday, December 14th at 2 p.m. The regular Commission December's Board meeting has been changed to Tuesday, December 21st at 2 p.m.

Consideration of Employee Annual Bonus

After consideration and discussion, a motion was made by Rusty Slade, seconded by Alissa Wilkerson and carried to give employees a bonus of one week's pay based on their current wage rate.

ECG Board Election Results

Manager Ivey reported on November 15, 2021, ECG was notified via email that Mr. Kenneth Stock, a 2021 ECG Board Nominee from Albany, respectively withdrew his nomination from the election process. There are three (3) ECG Board Member seats in the 2021 election process and three (3) remaining nomination forms from the incumbents. With only incumbents remaining, there is no need for an election process. The three (3) incumbents will be re-elected to serve another three (3) years from January 1, 2022, thru December 31, 2024, voiding the ballot process. The incumbents are Tim Houston from Acworth, Jeff Lewis from Fitzgerald, and Chris White from Thomasville.

Report on MEAG November 2021 BOD Meeting

Manager Ivey reported that the MEAG November Board Meeting was held by Friday, November 12th at the Annual Mayor's Summit.

The fixed and variable costs were over budget by about \$.12 per kWh. Variable costs by project was over budget by \$7.0M. Some contributing factors were due to fuel costs being up, some units had not previously been scheduled to run, and some scheduled units ran more for native load than was budgeted. Supplemental was under budget by \$14.8M primarily due to prices being above budget and native load purchases below budget. Projects 1, 2, and 3 were over budget primarily because of the same contributing factors as variable costs. The CC was over budget because native load use was above and fuel costs were above budget.

Fixed costs were under budget by \$37.9M. \$12M (32%) is due to favorable financing. Generation O&M was mostly less because outage costs ran less than budget. Fixed costs are billed at budget and trued up during Year-End-Settlement (YES) so we should see a nice YES. R&R was under budget for all projects for \$3.7M YTD (\$38.3M actual vs. \$42M budget). Natural gas prices are above budget and are expected to remain there for the rest of the year. Storage is 8% less than last year and 3% below the 5-year average. The spot market is also above budget.

The nuclear units continue to perform well and utilization was 1.3% below budget. Coal utilization was on budget. Coal conservation measures are currently in place to ensure winter availability. NG utilization was 20.8% above budget. Due to coal conservation, a planned outage was re-scheduled until spring. The unit has had 10 years with no injury

which is a great safety achievement. SEPA was 28.8% above budget and we expect elevated outputs for the remainder of the year. Off-system purchases were below budget due to serving native load with owned resources rather than market and has YTD costs 43.7% (\$11.2M) below budget. MEAG's energy resources mix for the month and the last 12 months continue to be mostly from Nuclear and Gas fuels. We have relatively low carbon emissions and they were 68% non-emitting for the month and 66% non-emitting for the last 12 months. Energy consumption was up 6.0% compared to the same period last year. YTD energy consumption was 1.2% below budget.

Ivey reported staff discussed a 500K substation expansion needed for Vogtle Units 3 & 4 to mitigate generator stability conditions. The project began in 2013 and expected to be completed in January 2022. Ivey presented some corporate affairs about issues around MEAG and the state. The Board covered the proposed final budget to include a 23% increase in market prices and Projects J & P decreased due to the Vogtle start-up delay. Comparing the MEAG 2022 vs 2021 budgets, there was a decrease of \$.49/kWh. Variable costs increased \$66.6M due to higher fuel costs and increase dual burn. Fixed costs decreased \$10.7M due to lower O&M and A&G costs. Generation increased 1.7 million MWh (+15.4%) mainly due to cryptocurrency mining. Final approval is expected at a special called meeting on November 30, 2021.

Ivey updated the Board on the progress of the Plant Vogtle projects. Ivey reported Vogtle 3 remains on schedule for an in-service date during the 3rd quarter of 2022 and Vogtle 4 in-service by 4th quarter 2023.

Current Projects

- ❖ Chris Hewitt reported crews are still working on the Hwy 280 project and the underground project around Hwy 33 and Raines substation. He reported work on the warehouse is being done and they crews are working on getting materials re-organized and ready for inventory. He reported the work plan is in its final stages and it has revealed the need for another sub-station in the Pateville area to help service loads of the other substations.
- ❖ Becky Fitzgibbons expressed her thanks for the bonus on behalf of employees. She reported GEMA is still working on the final inspection report. She also reported the construction at the Front Office is going well and hopes this first phase will be completed around mid-December.
- ❖ Troy Gilliam reported docks are being constructed and he has begun to work on the dilapidated structures by sending out letters to twelve owners in which three have not yet responded. He reported he's had positive responses thus far. The owners have a timeframe to repair, replace, or remove the structures, if not, then the attorney will send another letter, and then still, if no response, we may have to pursue legal actions regarding the structures.
- ❖ Blake Manning reported crews are continuing to work on the Hwy 280 project and are now pulling old wires installing new. He reported daily work continues and the ROW contractor will be back with us the beginning of next week.
- ❖ Grant Buckley reported the unemployment rate is now below 5%.

- ❖ Clark Harrell reported the Georgia EPD wants the \$1/ton of ash instead of the anticipated \$2/ton. He also reported the landfill is set up and ready to begin receiving the coal ash.

Other Business

None.

Meeting Adjourned

Chairman Pridgen announced that there was no further business to come before the Commission and declared the meeting adjourned.


Chairman


Secretary

Approved this 21st day of December 2021