

CRISP COUNTY POWER COMMISSION
CORDELE, GEORGIA

2:00 P.M.
August 23, 2022

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:

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

Others Present:

Michael Ivey, General Manager
Ladreka Daniels, Secretary
Rick Lawson, Attorney
Clark Harrell, County Administrator
Becky Fitzgibbons, Office Manager
Chris Hewitt, Manager of Tech Services
Ronnie Miller, Production Manager
Rick Vaughn, Staff Engineer
Troy Gilliam, Resource Manager
Chad Young, IT
Blake Manning, Manager of Operations
Grant Buckley, IDC Director
Marie Williams, Customer

Absent

James Dowdy

Media

Dee Sinha, WSST-TV

Call to Order

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

Minutes

A motion was made by Rusty Slade, seconded by Alissa Wilkerson, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the regular July meeting.

Customer Discussion

Customer Marsha Turner was a no-show.

Customer Marie Williams appeared before the Board to discuss a balance transfer in the amount of \$1,353.46 to her account from a past account she shared with Mr. Artavious James. She stated she moved into her home in August 2021 and the balance was transferred in July 2022. Ms. Williams stated upon calling and/or emailing Customer Service Representatives, the Office Manager, and the General Manager, she informed them that Mr. James lives elsewhere and though she was listed on the lease, she did not give CCPC permission to include her name on the electric account. Ms. Williams stated Mr. James said he came to our office to try and make payment arrangements on the account but he was told he was not able to do so. She stated she asked CCPC was there a document in writing that stated how we handle electric accounts with joint lease customers and she made a complaint to the Georgia Public Service Commission. Attorney Rick Lawson stated our actions of transferring past account balances to current customers that benefited from electric services are in line with standard industry practices. Commissioner Felton asked why did we take so long to transfer the balance and why wouldn't we take payment from Mr. James. Commissioner Pridgen stated he could not believe we would not accept payment. After further discussion amongst the Board Members, General Manager, and Becky Fitzgibbons, Commissioner Pridgen made a motion and expressed to Ms. Williams and Ms. Williams expressed that she understood that if this past due balance is not paid within six (6) months, we will expect her to take care of the past due balance.

A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by Rusty Slade, and unanimously carried to move the \$1,353.46 from Marie Williams' account back to Artavious James' account and give Mr. James six (6) months to pay the \$1,353.46 in full.

Review of July 2022 Financial Statements

Operating Revenues	\$5,014,531.28
Operating Expenses	\$6,190,490.22
Net Revenues (After Adjustments)	\$(70,828.55)
Year to Date Net Revenues	\$436,881.72
Total Funds on Hand	\$10,239,569.70

Manager Ivey reported energy sales for the residential and commercial classes were up while industrial was down from the same month last year. Overall energy sales were up 7.6%. Revenue from sales were up 20.7%. Ivey reported there were 537 heating/cooling degree days for the month of July while 2021 had 487 heating/cooling degree days. Energy production was up 5.5%. MWh sales for the month were 5.8% above budget. YTD total sales were 0.7% above budget.

Hydro-electric production during the month of July was 1.5% less than the long-term average and 29.0% less than July 2021. SEPA was 7.0% below budget. Unit #2 is currently out of service for maintenance which means we must begin opening the flood gates sooner than normal and spill water rather than generating electricity.

A motion was made by Alissa Wilkerson, seconded by John Pridgen, and unanimously carried to approve the July 2022 Financial Statements.

Annual Rules and Regulations Approval

Manager Ivey reported Becky Fitzgibbons and Chris Hewitt attended a FEMA meeting and FEMA recommends that we approve the Rules and Regulations of CCPC annually. He stated we will approve these annually in January at the first Commission meeting.

A motion was made by Rusty Slade, seconded by John Pridgen, and unanimously carried to approve the Rules and Regulations of CCPC as of today and they will be approved annually in January at the first Commission meeting.

Commissioner Mark Crenshaw expressed concerns regarding the deposit amounts. After discussion amongst the Board, Manager Ivey expressed that if the Board wants to change the deposit policy that is their preference.

A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by Larry Felton, and unanimously carried to keep the deposit required to approximately twice (2xs) the average monthly bill not to exceed \$500.

Review of CCPC Billing Process

Manager Ivey reported due to recent discussions, Becky Fitzgibbons will give a review of CCPC's billing process. Becky presented slides explaining our four cycles and their read, bill, due, and cut-off dates. She explained the disconnection process, disconnection fees, and reconnection requirements. Fitzgibbons also mentioned the different types of payment assistance sources available to the public and other available tools to educate customers on how to receive, read, and pay their bills.

Inflationary Rate Adjustment

Manager Ivey reported normally we make rate adjustments once per year but inflation is hitting hard and routine material and supply expenses have increased dramatically with our biggest portion being the MEAG cost. He presented slides explaining the total costs vs. total revenue cents/kWh. He mentioned the Vogtle impact on the rate adjustments which includes the plant operational date being delayed and buying deficit energy in a very high market with hopes that the situation will improve as Vogtle units come online. After addressing the CPI rate of 8.5% and purchase power percentages, Manager Ivey reported from a total budget standpoint, rate revenues are behind by 5.4% annually when we only adjust for purchased power. He recommends a 3% rate increase now and the annual rate increase in January.

A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by Sam Farrow, and unanimously carried to approve the 3% mid-year rate increase effective 09/01/2022.

Approval of Substation Bid, Substation Batteries, and 46kV Switch

Manager Ivey reported M.D. Henry Company a reputable company out of Pelham, AL won the bid for furnishing the material and equipment for Pateville Substation.

A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by Sam Farrow, and unanimously carried to approve the bid from M.D. Henry Company for furnishing the material and equipment for Pateville Substation.

Manager Ivey reported Hwy 33 substation battery bank failed which is necessary to operate the substation. He recommends the replacement of the battery bank. He also mentioned the SW substation 46kV switch failed and it is necessary to operate the substation during switching. He recommends the replacement of the 46kV switch.

A motion was made by Sam Farrow, seconded by Alissa Wilkerson, and unanimously carried to approve the necessary emergency repairs of replacing the battery bank and 46kV switch due to being capital items over \$15K.

Osmose Pole Inspection Update, Outage Update

Chris Hewitt gave an update on the Osmose pole inspections. He presented slides showing the total summary, inspection analysis, and reject analysis. He presented a slide showing the numbers included in each type of inspection along with an inspection detail report by circuit numbers. Hewitt reported there were a total of 2,679 poles inspected and only 158 (5.90%) were rejected.

Rick Vaughn gave an outage update and presented slides. He presented a glimpse into how the monthly outage report will look; however, Manager Ivey reported it is too early for the trend lines to make sense and we do not have the seasonality history. Vaughn reported we had a total of 81 outages, 8,281 customers affected, and 8,223 customer interruptions and presented a slide that listed the causes for the July outages. Vaughn reported there were 516,557 customer minutes measured by SAIDI with 43.321, SAIFI with 0.690, CAIDI with 62.819, and ASAI with 99.903. These indexes are explained as: System Average Interruption Duration Index (SAIDI) is the average outage duration for each customer served and the national average was 284 minutes and 92 minutes excluding major events

System Average Interruption Frequency Index (SAIFI) is the average number of interruptions that a customer would experience and the national average is 1.7 and 1.0 excluding major events

Customer Average Interruption Duration Index (CAIDI) gives the average outage duration that any given customer would experience and it can also be viewed as the average restoration time. The National average was 1.36 hours (81.6 Minutes)

Average Service Availability Index (ASAI) the ratio of total hours the customers were actually served to the number of hours they had requested the service. The National Average was 99.946% but averaged 99.982% excluding major events

Report on MEAG August 2022 BOD Meeting

General Manager Ivey reported the August MEAG Power Board Meeting was held on August 18th. He reported NG prices and market prices remain elevated and costs are up. Ivey reported on the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 which gives the ability for non-tax paying entities to receive the benefit of tax credits through "direct pay" which is good news for public power. He reported previously non-tax paying entities were forced to enter into purchased power agreements (PPAs) in order to receive a portion of the tax

credit from a tax-paying project partner. He reported tax credits for owners of existing nuclear facilities includes Vogtle 1 & 2 and Hatch 1 & 2 not Vogtle 3 & 4 which receives 45j tax credits. Manager Ivey reported Vogtle Unit #3 has NRC permission to load fuel once the final site preparations are complete.

Current Projects

- ❖ Blake Manning reported line crews are completing maintenance work on re-closures and daily work. They are also working on Osmose inspections. Crews are 75% complete with the work in N Valhalla. ROW contractors are working on Circuit 1230 around Arabi-Warwick Road and in-house ROW crews are focusing on cutting and cleaning many dead trees in our areas.
- ❖ Chris Hewitt reported briefly on the maintenance program and he is happy with the amount of work the contractors are doing.
- ❖ Troy Gilliam reported docks are being erected and we will begin spraying weeds on Monday. He reported he will be having a Zoom meeting with the auditors of the filing system. He also reported he will be placing buoys when the new ones arrive.
- ❖ Ronnie Miller reported crews are doing site work and grading, getting the soil ready for the Unit. He reported all the ash has been removed from the pond and deem certified clean to the bottom; however, for complete certification, we hav to dig an additional 6 inches.

Other Business

None.

Meeting Adjourned

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


Chairman


Secretary

Approved this 27th day of September 2022