

CRISP COUNTY POWER COMMISSION
CORDELE, GEORGIA

2:00 P.M.
January 23, 2024

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:

Alissa Wilkerson
Rusty Slade
John Pridgen
William Edwards
James Dowdy
James Nance
Mark Crenshaw

Others Present:

Chris Hewitt, General Manager
Ladreka Daniels, Secretary
Rick Lawson, Attorney
Clint Branch, Tech Services Manager
Rick Vaughn, Staff Engineer
Becky Fitzgibbons, Bus. & Fin. Manager
Blake Manning, Operations Manager
Troy Gilliam, Resource Manager
Chad Young, IT Director
Larry Felton, County Commissioner

Absent:

None

Media Present:

None

Call to Order

Vice-Chairwoman Alissa Wilkerson called the meeting to order and welcomed all present.

Oath of Office

Vice-Chairwoman Wilkerson turned the meeting over to the Attorney, Rick Lawson, who administered the Oath of Office to Commissioners Mark Crenshaw, James R. Dowdy, William Edwards, Larry Felton, James Nance, John Pridgen, Russel L. Slade, and Alissa Wright Wilkerson. Signed Oaths are attached to and become a part of these minutes.

Election of Officers

The Vice-Chairwoman proceeded to call for a nomination of officers.

Chairman – Rusty Slade made a motion to nominate Alissa Wright Wilkerson for Chairwoman, seconded by Mark Crenshaw and unanimously carried to appoint Mrs. Wilkerson as Chairwoman. Chairwoman Wilkerson then called for the election of Vice-Chairman.

Vice-Chairman – Mark Crenshaw made the motion to nominate John Pridgen for Vice-Chairman, seconded by James Dowdy and unanimously carried to appoint John Pridgen as Vice-Chairman.

Secretary - A motion was made by Rusty Slade, seconded by James Dowdy and unanimously carried to elect Ladreka Daniels as Secretary of the Commission.

Appointments

Attorney - A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by James Nance and unanimously carried to appoint Richard Lawson as Attorney for the Commission.

Agri-Industrial Division Representative – A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by James Nance and unanimously carried to re-appoint Rusty Slade to serve on the Agri-Industrial Board.

Lake Blackshear Appeals Board – A motion was made by Rusty Slade, seconded by James Dowdy and unanimously carried to appoint Mark Crenshaw, William Edwards, James Nance, and Alissa Wright Wilkerson as Alternate to serve on the Lake Blackshear Appeals Board.

Cordele-Crisp Chamber of Commerce Representative – A motion was made by Mark Crenshaw, seconded by John Pridgen and unanimously carried to re-appoint Rusty Slade to serve on the Cordele-Crisp Chamber of Commerce Board.

Keep Crisp Beautiful Board – A motion was made by James Dowdy, seconded by Rusty Slade and unanimously carried to re-appoint Ronnie Miller to serve on the Keep Crisp Beautiful Board.

Main Street – A motion was made by Rusty Slade, seconded by John Pridgen and unanimously carried to re-appoint Alissa Wright Wilkerson and Becky Fitzgibbons to serve on the Main Street Board.

Crisp-Dooly Joint IDA Board - A motion was made by James Dowdy, seconded by Rusty Slade and unanimously carried to re-appoint John Pridgen to serve on the Crisp-Dooly Joint IDA Board.

By-Laws

A motion was made by Rusty Slade, seconded by John Pridgen and carried to approve the Commission By-Laws for 2024. A copy of the By-Laws is attached to and becomes a part of these minutes.

Check Signing Resolution

A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by Rusty Slade to approve the Check-Signing Resolution with all of the Commissioners and Business and Finance Manager authorized to sign checks. A copy of the resolution is attached to and becomes a part of these minutes.

MEAG MTC Authorizations

Manager Hewitt presented a resolution authorizing the Chairwoman and himself, to execute MEAG Trust and other documents requested of MEAG.

A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by James Nance, and unanimously carried to authorize the Chairwoman and General Manager to execute MEAG documents.

ECG Authorizations

Manager Hewitt presented a resolution authorizing the Chairwoman and himself, to execute ECG voting requirements and other documents requested of ECG.

A motion was made by Rusty Slade, seconded by John Pridgen, and unanimously carried to authorize the Chairwoman and General Manager to execute ECG documents.

Rules and Regulations

A motion was made by James Dowdy, seconded by Rusty Slade and unanimously carried to approve the Rules and Regulations.

A copy of the Rules and Regulations is attached to and becomes a part of these minutes.

Minutes

A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by James Nance, and carried to approve the minutes of the regular December 2023 monthly meeting.

Review of Financial Statements

Operating Revenues	\$3,702,791.07
Operating Expenses	\$4,575,424.39
Net Revenues	\$3,794,227.80

Net Revenues (After Adjustments)	\$4,970,451.40
Year to Date Net Revenues	(\$9,270,979.62)
Year to Date Net Revenues (Aft. Adj)	\$13,159,124.99
Total Funds On Hand	\$1,579,635.49

General Manager Hewitt reported energy sales were lower overall than December of last year. For the current month, sales in Commercial and Industrial were lower except in the Residential class. Revenue from sales were higher than the same month last year by 1.9%. Sales were below the budgeted amount for the month in the large and non-large industrial classes. Total KWh sales is now -7.4% below the YTD Budget.

December 2023 was just below the long-term average with 438 heating/cooling degree days for the month compared to 469 in December of last year and the long-term average of 448-degree days. River flows in the Flint for December were below the long-term average and the same period last year. Hydroelectric production was 25.7% less than the long-term average and 23.5% less than the production of the same month last year. Unit #2 is currently out of service for maintenance and Unit #3 is out of service due to broken gate links.

Hewitt reported our cash available for operations as of December 31st was \$1,579,635 which is an increase of \$423,156 from the prior month. He reported the available cash is lower than our recommended reserve level of \$7.9 million - \$9.5 million. Hewitt recommend a \$2 million transfer from MCT to our General Fund, if necessary, to bring available cash back up close to our recommended minimum.

A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by James Dowdy, and unanimously carried to authorize a \$2 million transfer from MCT to our General Fund, if necessary.

A motion was made by James Nance, seconded by John Pridgen, and unanimously carried to approve the December 2023 Financial Statements.

MEAG BOD Meeting

Manager Hewitt reported the meeting was held in Thomasville. He reported fixed and variable costs were above budget by about 0.16 cents per kWh for the month and 0.13 cents per kWh under budget YTD. Fixed and variable costs were under budget by \$54.8M. Variable cost was under budget by \$33.6M due to Projects 1, 2, and 3 being under budget by \$43.3M. The combined cycle was \$8.9M above budget due to those low NG prices. 2023 NG prices dropped October thru December and they continue to remain low and stayed well below budget for the year. 2024 gas storage for the year is running about 15% above 2023 and 6% above the 5-year average. Spot Market tends to trend the same as the gas prices.

Hewitt reported the nuclear units ran 2.7% above budget. Vogtle Unit #2 is de-rated due to heater pump issues and will remain until its refueling outage in February. Vogtle Unit #3 performed well at 100% capacity and has been online for 180 days. Coal generation is

running 69.1% below budget due to the nuclear units running on budget and NG prices remaining low. Coal is at 68 days of storage with full load storage of 70 days being the max. There were some forced burns conducted to manage coal inventories thru the month but has been placed back to an economic dispatch status. The Wansley combined cycle plant ran 18.3% below budget due to low gas prices. SEPA was 0.7% above budget. Off-system purchase volumes were 14.8% above budget because of low market prices and reduction of use of higher cost units. Total power resources were 63% non-emitting for December 2023 and 61% non-emitting for the rolling 12-month period. Total MEAG energy sales are 1.5% less YTD than 2022 and 6.8% below budget for the year.

Hewitt reported on the corporate affairs that are happening around our local, state, and federal areas. He gave a summary of recent and upcoming events to include the Georgia Economic Outlook Luncheons that will be hosted in different cities of Georgia and the Cities United Summit that will be held at the MEAG Power Business Dinner on Sunday, January 28, 2024.

Hewitt presented the Board with an update and slide presentation on the Vogtle 3&4 Project.

Report on Current Projects

- Chris Hewitt reported for Ronnie Miller that all ash has been removed and some areas have had the grass applied and crews are working to place some trees back to the area. Hydro #3 was de-watered and the inspection crew found some debris in the wicket gates. The links have been repaired on the gates and the gates are working; however, when in operation there is some binding motion and now the job is back on hold until the binding issues are resolved. Hewitt reported the new shims have arrived.
- Clint Branch reported pole installation at the new substation is complete. He reported there are several upcoming irrigation projects. He reported crews are working to relocate underground wiring at the old Middle School site. They are also working at the CRH site on E 16th Avenue. He reported fencing will be installed at the warehouse to keep track of inventory.
- Rick Vaughn reported there were 35 outages that affected 660 customers with 663 interruptions. He reported they have been working on load balancing and that we have a customer that will be having solar panels installed.
- Blake Manning reported crews are continuing to work at Pateville Substation and on daily work projects. He gave a report on the weather event that we experienced on 01/09/2024 that left us with some small, scattered outages.
- Troy Gilliam reported the Lake was lowered 2 feet and many lake residents are taking advantage by doing some maintenance work; however, there has also been some complaints because of a bass fishing tournament that is to be held on the Lake.
- Chad Young reported he has been working on SCADA communication to electronic reclosers.

Other Business

Manager Hewitt presented the board with a request from the Crisp County Board of Education requesting Crisp County Power Commission's waiver of equipment time and labor for the installation of the underground conduit and three-phase primary wire within the old Middle School property located at E 24th Avenue.

A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by James Nance, and unanimously carried to waive Crisp County Power Commission's equipment time and labor for the installation of the underground conduit and three-phase primary wire within the old Middle School property located at E 24th Avenue.

For informational purposes right now, Manager Hewitt reported the Commission is considering splitting insurance from the County because CCPC cannot accurately budget due to plans/pricing taking effect halfway through our budget year (July 1), the reasons for the merger was for self-funding and that reason no longer exist, we have no control over our provider, CCPC demographics vary significantly from the County, and ACCG has a larger pool that results in lower risks. Hewitt reported no actions are to be taken today.

Meeting Adjourned

Chairwoman Wilkerson announced that there was no further business to come before the Commission.

A motion was made by Rusty Slade, seconded by James Nance to adjourn the January 2024 Board Meeting.

Chairwoman Wilkerson declared the meeting adjourned.


Chairwoman


Secretary

Approved this 27th day of February 2024