# CRISP COUNTY POWER COMMISSION CORDELE, GEORGIA

2:00 P.M. August 26, 2025

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, Chairwoman

John Pridgen
William Edwards

Eli Tinsley James Dowdy Sam Farrow James Nance

Others Present:

Chris Hewitt, General Manager Ladreka Daniels, Secretary Rick Lawson, Attorney Erin Hurt, Executive Assistant

Mark Crenshaw, Commissioner

Mickey Dunnavant, County Administrator

Grant Buckley, IDC Director

Sarah Howell, Bus and Fin Manager via

telephone conference

Angela Craft, Accounting Supervisor Ronnie Miller, Production Manager Keith Stephens, Tech Services Manager

Rick Vaughn, Staff Engineer Troy Gilliam, Resource Manager

Blake Manning, Line Division Manager

Chad Young, Director of IT

Sarah Higginbotham, Mauldin & Jenkins

Absent

Larry Felton

#### Call to Order

Chairwoman Wilkerson called the meeting to order and welcomed all present. James Nance will be sitting as a voting member in the absence of Larry Felton.

#### **Minutes**

A motion was made by James Dowdy, seconded by Sam Farrow, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the regular July meeting.

2024 Audit Report: Sarah Higginbotham with Mauldin & Jenkins

Chairwoman Wilkerson introduced Sarah Higginbotham, CPA with Mauldin and Jenkins, the Power Commission's audit firm. Ms. Higginbotham stated that the Commission had a very good year and reported no significant deficiencies in the 2024 Audit. Ms. Higginbotham made no recommendations for change or other actions and stated the result was a very clean audit, which is the best outcome we could have. She commended the staff for their hard work throughout the year to help make the audit a success.

# Public Agenda Request: Katrina Jackson

No show

#### Review of July 2025 Financial Statements

Operating Revenues	\$6,599,931.60
Operating Expenses	\$5,507,505.53
Net Revenues	\$1,172,673.70
Year to Date Net Revenues	\$1,853,859.76
Total Funds on Hand	\$2,775,659.24

Manager Hewitt reported energy sales were below overall compared to the same month last year. For the current month, sales in each class compared to July of 2024 were less. Revenue from sales were greater than the same month last year by 22.6%. Sales were above the budgeted amount for the month by 3.4%. Large industrial was 16.4% below budget and non-large industrial was above budget 8.2%. We are now 5.4% above the YTD budget for total MWh sales. Energy consumption was running about 0.31% below July 2024 and 0.24% below 2024 YTD. Hewitt reported there were 597 cooling degree days for the month of July while 2024 had 575 cooling degree days.

Hydro-electric production during the month of July was 3.7% above the long-term average and 4.4% greater than July 2024. Unit #2 is currently under reassembly.

It was reported that cash available for operations as of July  $31^{st}$  was \$2,775,659 which is an increase of \$954,923 from the prior month. The available cash is lower than our recommended reserve level of \$9.0 million  $\sim$  \$10.9 million. Manager Hewitt reported we will continue to watch and monitor the bank account as the revenues ae remaining steady although the reserves are much lower.

A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by William Edwards, and unanimously carried to approve the July 2025 Financial Statements.

# Report on August MEAG BOD Meeting

General Manager Hewitt reported the July BOD meeting was held at the Annual Meeting. He gave a report on the budget vs. actual fixed and variable wholesale costs, variable costs by project, fixed costs by category and project, and renewal and replacement budget by project. Hewitt also gave a report on the gas and spot market prices along with nuclear, coal, and gas generation. SEPA generation was below budget for the month and right at budget. Off-system purchases were above budget. He mentioned that demolition for the Wansley Coal Unit is underway.

Manager Hewitt reported on the participant and external affairs that are happening around our local areas and on federal and state levels. He reported the MEAG Offsite Board Meeting will be held in East Point on October 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>. The date for the Mayor's Summit is November 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>.

### **Current Projects**

- ❖ Grant Buckley reported the unemployment rate is 3.6% and they are working on a few other projects.
- ❖ Ladreka Daniels discussed our participation in the RP3 Designation.
- ❖ Erin Hurt reported there will be a plaque dedication in honor of Mr. Steve Rentfrow at the Main Office on Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 10:00 a.m.
- Ronnie Miller reported Unit #2 wicket gate installation is now complete and his crews are working on installing trash racks. He and Chris attended the August 5<sup>th</sup> functional EAP exercise and the event went well.
- ❖ Keith Stephens reported crews are making up the connections in Pateville Sub. Osmose is in the city performing the 2025 inspections and crews are working on the 2024 pole change-outs. He reported Walmart relocated its generator. Will begin working on the new car charging station.
- \* Rick Vaughn reported there were 62 outages with 3,165 customers affected, and 4,130 customer interruptions. He reported he has everything coordinated for the new car charging station near the Waffle House.
- Troy Gilliam reported there is one more drone spraying that will take place next month. He and Mickey completed service work on the boat. They have been performing clean-up work around the boat ramps.
- ❖ Blake Manning reported crews are working on daily work and Osmose pole change-outs. Crews made sure the football field lights were working before the football season began. Walmart experienced some issues while installing their generator. ECG will have a groundbreaking on their new training facility in Forsyth on Thursday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m.
- \* Mickey Dunnavant reported on their property tax increase. He reported developers are looking for land here in Cordele.

#### **Other Business**

Manger Hewitt reported Linea Energy wants to contract Crisp County Power to supply Pineview Solar Farm with station power (hours when solar panels are not producing).

The station will service 1.6MW. He's working through a rate tariff now to charge the customer for service. This project will assume \$1.13M per year based on 300-420 offsun hours per month. We are expecting \$1.42M-\$1.51M per year adding in stand-by reservation charges.

A motion was made by John Pridgen, seconded by William Edwards authorizing the General Manager to proceed with Linea Energy.

## Meeting Adjourned

Chairwoman Wilkerson announced that there was no further business to come before the Commission and declared the August 2025 meeting adjourned.

Approved this 23rd

day of September