

## Minutes

### WYOMING INFRASTRUCTURE AUTHORITY PUBLIC BOARD MEETING CONFERENCE CALL—7:00am October 22, 2010

- I. Roll-call, Establish Quorum  
Board Members in attendance included Mike Easley, J.M. Shafer and Bret Jones. A quorum was established. Also participating were Loyd Drain, Executive Director, Holly Martinez, Administrative Manager, Rob Hurlless, Bill Stafford, Basin Electric Power and Michelle Bohannon, Wyoming Public Service Commission.
- II. Approve Agenda  
Bret made motion to approve agenda as amended. J.M. seconded that motion. The agenda was approved by unanimous assent.
- III. Approve Minutes from October 8, 2010 meeting  
Bret made a motion to approve the minutes from September 24, 2010. J.M. seconded that motion. The minutes were approved with unanimous assent.
- IV. Items for Discussion and Possible Formal Action
  - **Board Meeting on November 9, 2010 in Cheyenne:**  
*Agenda has been set and speakers have been scheduled. J.M. has been contacting utilities and CO-OP's in Colorado to encourage them to attend the meeting.*
  - **Strategic Plan:**  
*The final FY2011/2012 Strategic Plan has been posted on the Board Forum.*
  - **Letter to the Gubernatorial Candidates:**  
*Letters were delivered/mailed last week. There has been no feedback received to date.*
  - **WAPA/ICF Meeting relative to integration issues and operation of DC converter stations:**  
*Meeting was held with a good discussion. Staff has been successful in getting Michael Bahram, ABB (considered to be an expert on the subject) to give a presentation on the topic at our 11/9 Board Meeting.*
  - **Wyoming Business Council:**  
*Staff has been working with the Business Council to schedule some one-on-one meetings with one of their clients on 11/8. A Spanish Company who is in the process of selecting a site for a turbine tower manufacturing facility in the west. PacifiCorp, Anschutz (including Bill Miller), LS Power and Wasatch Wind have agreed to participate. Staff will make sure that their client has an opportunity to meet the Board members on 11/9 or at the reception on 11/8.*

- **Bonding opportunity:**  
*Bret and staff met with Joe Meyer, Treasurer; Sharon Garland; and Michael Walden-Newman to discuss the State's interest in financing a \$35 million transmission/substation project. Joe's staff is to provide the WIA with some acceptable parameters include a rate for possible long term financing.*
- **HPX Executive Committee Meeting:**  
*Meeting was held on 10/11 & 10/12 in Denver. The Project will proceed to a Stage 3 with an amended MOU between the 12 project developers; a Stakeholder Meeting will be held in the near future to gain input from stakeholders in order for Stage 3 to be further defined. Elements of Stage 3 will include a list of issues that will be monitored to determine the need for an increased level of development and a list of tasks that will be addressed in the third stage. There is a current balance of funds that will be held for future work by 3<sup>rd</sup> parties. Current thinking is that the MOU will be extended for 2 years commencing 1/1/2011. The consensus among the members of the Executive Committee is that there are too many things that could occur in the next 1-2 years that would cause the level of development of the Project to be increased. The decision to solicit additional members was not made and will be discussed in the Stakeholder Meeting.*
- **E3 Model modifications:**  
*Laura Ladd has requested that the WIA pay for additional work by E3 which totals \$11,772.70 relative to work that E3 did responding to questions from the joint revenue committee and the sub-committee members as well as running some additional scenario analyses for the group. Staff recommends that the Board approve the payment. J.M. made a motion to authorize expenditure. Bret seconded that motion.*
- **Next Board Call:**  
*Staff recommended that the Board consider moving the next regularly scheduled Board Call from 11/12 to 11/19 given the close proximity to the 11/9 Board Meeting—all agreed*

V. New Business

No new business was offered.

VI. Public Comment Opportunity

No public comment was offered.

VII. Adjournment

J.M. made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Bret seconded that motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:35am.