

**SILVER STATE ENERGY ASSOCIATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**OCTOBER 30, 2019
MINUTES**

**Call to Order
10:02 A.M.**

Colorado River Room 2 Conference Room, Southern Nevada Water Authority
100 City Parkway, Suite 700, Las Vegas, Nevada

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Dennis Porter, City of Boulder City; Robert Reese, Colorado River Commission; David Luttrell (alternate), Lincoln County Power District No. 1; Jack Nelson, Overton Power District No. 5

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

David Johnson, Southern Nevada Water Authority

STAFF PRESENT:

Scott Krantz, Laura Browning

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Robert Reese. The meeting was noticed and posted in accordance with the Nevada Open Meeting law.

COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

There were no speakers wishing to be heard.

ITEM NO.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MAY 14, 2019

ACTION: A motion was made by David Luttrell and seconded by Dennis Porter that the agenda for the meeting and minutes of the May 14, 2019 meeting be approved. The motion was unanimously approved.

2. CONSIDERATION OF AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SSEA MANAGER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE WESTERN AREA POWER ADMINISTRATION AND THE SILVER STATE ENERGY ASSOCIATION FOR SOUTHWEST POWER POOL RELIABILITY COORDINATOR SERVICES

Scott Krantz explained that this agreement is similar to an existing agreement the Silver State Energy Association (SSEA) has with Western Area Power Administration (WAPA), who is the Balancing Authority and does scheduling for SSEA. WAPA is switching its supplier of Reliability Coordinator services from Peak Reliability, Inc. to Southwest Power Pool. As soon as the agreement is executed, the old one will terminate. The costs are projected to be about the same or slightly lower. Reliability coordination services are mandatory, contracted for through WAPA, and SSEA gets its load ratio share of the cost of those services within WAPA's Balancing Authority area.

David Luttrell called for further discussion on this item. He commented about how great it is when utilities come together, such as within the SSEA, and work for the common good of all and how effective and productive that kind of organization can be. On the other hand, he said, it can be disruptive when an organization such as SSEA starts to operate strictly for the benefit of one or just a few of its members and when it starts to lose trust amongst the members. Although Lincoln County Power District (LCPD) did, at one time, get a tremendous benefit through its membership in SSEA, it is David's opinion that SSEA has evolved in the past few years to an organization that is strictly serving one member, the Southern Nevada Water Authority (SNWA) and its member agencies. He referenced his belief that SNWA tried to convince the Colorado River Commission that LCPD should not receive all of its Hoover power allocation. He also referenced his belief that SNWA made moves to usurp the SSEA and take the Eastern Nevada Transmission Project and to overlay its own transmission project on top of that after SSEA members had invested time and effort into obtaining that right-of-way. He finished by saying that LCPD is not withdrawing from the SSEA at this time but will continue to look at its options going forward. As it relates to this agenda item, he wonders how LCPD casting a vote in the affirmative that essentially benefits SNWA and its member agencies as they go forward in purchasing energy through SSEA will benefit all members of the SSEA.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Jack Nelson and seconded by Dennis Porter to authorize the SSEA Manager to sign an agreement between the Western Area Power Administration and the Silver State Energy Association for Southwest Power Pool Reliability Coordinator services. The motion, carried by three affirmative votes, was approved, with David Luttrell abstaining to vote on behalf of LCPD.

3. RECEIVE AND POSSIBLY ACCEPT THE ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30, 2019, AS PRESENTED BY THE SILVER STATE ENERGY ASSOCIATION'S EXTERNAL AUDITOR, PIERCY BOWLER TAYLOR AND KERN

Richard Bowler of Piercy Bowler Taylor & Kern (PBTk) stated that PBTk provided an unqualified, unmodified opinion with respect to the audit of the SSEA's financial statements for the year ending June 30, 2019. There were no findings, material weaknesses or any other issues to report. Copies of the Annual Financial Report were sent to the Board on October 15, 2019.

FINAL ACTION: A motion was made by Jack Nelson and seconded by Dennis Porter to accept the Annual Financial Report for the period ending June 30, 2019. The motion was unanimously approved.

4. COMMENTS BY THE GENERAL PUBLIC

There were no speakers wishing to be heard.

5. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 10:12 a.m.