



Commission Members Present: Vanessa Cain, Sheila Williamson-Branch, Paul Liepe, Helm Dobbins, Earl Reynolds, Anna Kautzman, Vic Ingram, Gary Miller

Commission Members Absent: Steven Merricks

Staff Present: Jason Grey, Ryan Dodson, Janet Davis, Jennifer Holley, Michael Adkins, Sue DeMasi, Amanda Paez

Others Present: Maura McGowan, Resource Innovations

Call to Order

Chairman Cain opened the meeting and asked that the attendance be recorded. As a quorum was present, the meeting was called to order.

Discussion/Business Items

Minutes of February 28, 2022 Commission Meeting

Ms. Cain asked for any corrections, deletions, or adjustments to the minutes from February 28, 2022.

Mr. Liepe made a motion to approve the minutes. Ms. Kautzman seconded, all members voted in favor, and the motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ingram presented a resolution in memoriam from the Danville-Pittsylvania Regional Industrial Facility Authority to Janet Davis for her father's service to the Authority.

Review of Utilities' Financial Statements

Ms. Holley presented the January financial statements for each utility fund and answered questions from Commission members.

Danville HomeSave and CustomSave Energy Efficiency Program Update

Janet Davis, Key Accounts Manager, and Maura McGowan, Project Manager from Resource Innovations (formerly Nexant) provided an update on the number of rebate measures approved over the past year. The residential (Danville HomeSave) and C&I

(CustomSave) rebate programs have assisted customers in lowering consumption and demand. The new measure for FY23 (electric vehicle chargers) and a new energy efficiency tool to help customer estimate their energy consumption and electric costs were also discussed.

Mr. Liepe asked if the number of tune ups performed would be considered low. Ms. Davis noted that there were about 15 contractors registered in the program to perform tune ups, but about 90% of the tune ups are performed by two of the approved contractors. The forms for the tune ups have been simplified in efforts to increase participation. Mr. Grey also noted that tune ups would be considered a third priority to most homeowners, behind emergency repairs and system replacement, so that can account for lower numbers as well.

Department Discussions

Mr. Dobbins mentioned that the handout regarding natural gas prices for 2004 and 2005 had high figures and noted that the prices have gone up since February.

Mr. Grey noted that the oil rigs are ramping up to try to increase demand. He added that there will be an update on natural gas at next month's meeting.

Mr. Grey reported that three of the batteries will be on site soon. The remaining five are held up in a port in China currently. Mr. Dobbins asked could the three batteries operate on their own while waiting for the remaining five to be delivered and installed. Mr. Grey responded that this has not been discussed, but he believes they could operate those three.

There was no comment from City staff or the public.

Adjournment

Chairman Cain stated the next meeting is scheduled for April 25, 2022. Mr. Dobbins made a motion to adjourn. There being no further business, Chairman Cain adjourned the meeting at 4:35 p.m.

Submitted by Janet C. Davis
Secretary to the DUC

April 25, 2022

Date Approved



Chairman

Danville Utility Commission