



Commission Members Present: Steve Daniels, Joe King, Jeff Liverman, Fred Shanks, Phillip Smith and Jim Turpin

Commission Members Absent: Bob Schasse, Bob Vaughan

Staff Present: Michael Adkins, Ken Ashworth, Barry Dunkley, Carolyn Evans, Jason Grey, Jim Harr, Patricia Knutti, Nate Lewis, Linda Mills and Clarke Whitfield

Others Present: Michael Vigeant, The Center for Research (CFR)
Dr. Gary Miller, Danville City Council

Call to Order & Announcements

Vice-Chairman Smith 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 May 23, 2011 Commission Meeting: Vice-Chairman Smith asked for any corrections, deletions, or adjustments to the minutes of May 23, 2011. There were none. Mr. King made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Turpin seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

Review of Utilities' Financial Statements: Michael Adkins reviewed the April 2011 financial statements. Mr. Adkins said that all funds are performing close to budget.

Mr. Adkins then addressed questions from the Commissioners.

Review of Residential Appliance Saturation Survey Final Report: Michael Vigeant, president of The Center for Research (CFR), presented results of the Residential Appliance Saturation Survey conducted by CFR on behalf of Danville Utilities. Mr. Vigeant explained that 803 households were surveyed and the report summarized statistics gathered from those calls. The data, Mr. Vigeant added, gauged what energy efficient appliances were currently used and how likely customers would be to replace less efficient models.

Mr. Vigeant explained that based on this information CFR would be working with Nexant to develop the most effective rebate program.

Mr. Vigeant said the data showed that Danville's customers realized the importance of energy efficiency and that Danville Utilities had done a good job educating the public.

Nate Lewis said that Nexant received the data as soon as it was compiled and that the rebate program is expected to launch on July 15th.

Mr. Vigeant and Mr. Lewis then addressed questions from the Commissioners by explaining that Nexant has procedures to do measurement verifications that will evaluate the effectiveness of the rebate program.

Proposed Changes in Miscellaneous Service Charges: Vice-Chairman Smith opened the public hearing on the proposed miscellaneous service charges and asked if any present would like to speak on the subject. Jim Harr said that he had received one letter and distributed copies of the letter to the Commissioners. Carolyn Evans said that the public also had an opportunity to leave comments via the Danville Utilities website and none were received. There were no other comments and Vice-Chairman Smith closed the public hearing.

Carolyn Evans explained that the changes requested at the June meeting had been made and she and Barbara Dameron then addressed questions from the Commissioners.

Mr. Daniels then moved that the Danville Utility Commission adopt the proposed changes for miscellaneous services effective August 1, 2011 as recommended by the Utilities Department staff. Mr. Liverman seconded the motion. A vote was cast and the motion carried.

Communications

Communications from City Manager: There were none.

Communications from Utilities Staff: Ken Ashworth said that a ribbon cutting for the Rock Springs substation would be held on Thursday, June 30th. Mr. Ashworth said that during the past 10 years Danville has moved from mostly residential to a full service electric company and that the third delivery point allowed for more economic growth and reliability.

Jason Grey announced that Danville accepted the Intelligent Community's Founders Award for the nDanville Medical Network. Jason explained that the nDanville Medical Network was one of only two projects worldwide that were chosen to receive the award.

Barry Dunkley said the Water Supply Plan started in 2007 through the West Piedmont Planning District will be completed this fall. The plan, Mr. Dunkley said, would then be brought to City Council for approval.

Communications from Commissioners: Mr. Smith expressed that the 3rd delivery point was an important piece in the evolution of Danville Power and Light.

Director's Report: Jim Harr said that Aubrey Hilliard, Danville's gas hedging consultant, was considering asking his customers to look at a 5 year plan. Mr. Harr said that he would ask Mr. Hilliard to present his plan at the next meeting.

Public Comments: There were none.

Adjournment

Vice-Chairman Smith stated the next meeting is scheduled for July 25th, 2011. There being no further business, Vice-Chairman Smith adjourned the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

July 25, 2010
Date Approved

Chairman
Danville Utility Commission

Submitted by Patti OKeefe
Secretary to the DUC