



Pennsylvania One Call System, Inc.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

August 1, 2023

Omni Bedford Springs Resort – Bedford, PA Minutes

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:

Kevin German, Chair	Present
Jerry McNaw, Vice Chair	Present
Thomas Ceraso, Secretary	Present
Doug Haupt, Assistant Secretary	Present
Michael Kyle, Treasurer	Present
Ryan Lumbatis, Assistant Treasurer	Present
Joseph Murphy, Immediate Past Chair	Present
William P. Boswell, General Counsel	Present
William G. Kiger, President/CEO	Present

GUESTS:

Tom McMaster	Adams Electric Cooperative
Thomas Knights	Butler Township
Brady Kovalchuk	Columbia Gas of PA, Inc.
Kristie Kubovic	Columbia Gas of PA, Inc.
David Henning	Comcast
Rich Sandala	Crown Castle
Molly Carriere	Energy Transfer
Deanna DeWitt	FirstEnergy
Steve Schafer	FirstEnergy
Zack Armstrong	Larson Design Group
Jacob Specht	National Fuel
Armando Ferri	NUCA Pennsylvania
Sarah Miller	PA Builders Association
Terri Cooper Smith	PA PUC
Thomas Gramling	PA State Association of Boroughs
Holly Fishel	PA State Association of Township Supervisors
Rob Bedics	PECO an Exelon Company
Patrick Dunham	PECO an Exelon Company
Philip Barker	PEMA
Charles Brazier	Peoples Gas Company LLC
Debbie Vergenes	Peoples Gas Company LLC
James Baer	Pennsylvania American Water
Daniel Whetzel	PennDOT
Brian Eckroade	Philadelphia Gas Works
Lucas Erny	Pittsburgh Water & Sewer Authority
Stephen Krause	PPL Electric Utilities, Inc.
Mark Callahan	UGI Utilities, Inc.
Ryan Geisinger	UGI Utilities, Inc.
Kenneth Montanari	Verizon Business
Brett Jones	Verizon Pennsylvania LLC
John Maloney	Verizon Pennsylvania LLC

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Marcus Avellino
Rick Mann
Jerry Wilson

Williams Gas Pipeline – Transco
Windstream
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STAFF:

Ellen Kiger	Vice President/COO
Sherry Harim	Director – Accounting and Member Services
Jon DeMoss	Director – Technology
Linda Covelli	Manager – Operations
Norm Parrish	Manager – Education
Kelly Pearl	Manager – Accounting and Member Services
S. Robin Johnson	Compliance Coordinator
Penny Modrick	Executive Secretary

Mr. German called the meeting to order at 2:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance, reviewed the emergency exit information, and asked for a round of introductions.

AGENDA ACCEPTANCE

- Mr. German made a motion to follow the agenda as presented, seconded by Mr. Kyle.
 - The motion carried unanimously.
- Mr. Haupt made a motion to move the Vision 2024 Strategic Plan to the Board of Directors for approval, seconded by Mr. Ceraso.
 - The motion carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

- Mr. Lumbatis made a motion to approve the 4/25/23 Executive Committee minutes as written, seconded by Mr. Haupt.
 - The motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF ACTION ITEMS FROM THE APRIL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND BOARD MEETINGS

- Re-assign Goal 5.2 to the Board Development Committee and modify the date from April 2023 to April 2024.
 - Status: Completed
- The organization will attempt to fill the open telephone industry seat from members within the telephone industry. If a telephone industry representative cannot be found, a company from another industry will be appointed to serve the remainder of the term.
 - Status: Mr. Haupt reported a volunteer had come forward and recommended appointment.
- Mr. Haupt made a motion that Crown Castle, represented by Mr. Sandala, be appointed to the remainder of the term previously held by Lumen, seconded by Mr. Murphy.
 - The motion carried unanimously.

FINANCE COMMITTEE UPDATE

Mr. Kyle summarized the economic report provided by The Monteverde Group. He reviewed the performance of the SEI investments as of 6/30/23 and reported on the laddered CDs. The Monteverde

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Group recommended no change to the investments. Mr. Kyle also reported the committee approved extending one fund on the Watch List for the 401(k).

Mr. Kyle reminded the Board members to submit their funding request if interested in attending one of the national 811 conferences: Global Excavation Safety Conference (GESG) in March 2024 or the CGA Conference in April 2024. Request deadline for GESG is 8/10/23 and the deadline for CGA is 8/15/23.

LAWSUITS PENDING AGAINST PA ONE CALL SYSTEM, INC.

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 - Mr. Boswell reported there was no new activity.

REVIEW OF AGENDA ITEM REQUEST

- The Compliance Committee asks if every person who volunteers to serve on a committee must be accepted.

Discussion.

Response: The Board Chair appoints members to the committee in consultation with the committee chair.

Mr. Boswell noted that some committees require specific background experience.

- The Legislative Task Force requests the Board Chair charge the Compliance Committee with creating a standard for using hydro excavation, which can then be added to the POCS Users Guide.

Discussion.

Mr. German charged the Users Guide Task Force with adding verbiage to the Users Guide regarding use of hydro excavation.

NEW BUSINESS

- Response to the PUC regarding proposed changes to the law.

Mr. Haupt reported the task force met on Sunday to finalize the suggested response to the PUC. The document was then emailed to the Board members.

- Mr. Haupt made a motion to move the document to the Board for approval, seconded by Mr. Murphy.
 - The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Haupt thanked everyone on the LTF for their work on creating the response document.

Mr. Haupt reported on the planned timeline going forward:

- An LTF meeting 8/7/23 to finalize two suggested changes to Act 50.
- Provide suggested directional changes to the Board by 8/11/23, asking Board members to respond to the LTF by 8/21/23.

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- Another LTF meeting prior to 8/25/23 to discuss any responses.
- Special Teams Board meeting 9/11/23 to vote on the direction and to move the proposed changes to the Legislature.
- Mr. Haupt made a motion to move in the direction just proposed, seconded by Mr. Murphy.
 - The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Haupt thanked Ms. Harim for her assistance through the LTF process.

In response to a suggestion, Mr. Haupt led everyone in attendance through a detailed review of the PUC response document. Following discussion, some changes were agreed upon.

- Mr. Haupt made a motion to move the response document to the Board for approval, seconded by Mr. Murphy.
 - The motion carried unanimously.

Mr. German thanked Mr. Haupt and Ms. Harim for their work.

OPEN DISCUSSION – EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

None.

OPEN DISCUSSION – BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ms. Vergenes asked about planned emergencies, suggesting if something is categorized as an emergency, the caller should have to be on site within four hours.

Discussion.

It was suggested the Users Guide be modified so facility owners have until the planned start date and time to respond. Mr. German assigned the task to the Users Guide Task Force.

ADJOURNMENT

- Mr. Haupt made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Murphy.
 - The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting ended at 3:50pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas Ceraso
Corporate Secretary

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Minutes Approved: October 24, 2023