JEWETT CITY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' ELECTRIC DIVISION MEETING MINUTES

August 13, 2025

The electric division regular meeting of the Board of Public Utilities Commissioners was held in the office of the DPU on Wednesday August 13, 2025, at 4:30 PM.

AGENDA ITEM #1 CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Demicco announced the meeting in session at 4:32 PM with Commissioners Ken Comfort, and Elier Alvarado, Director of Utilities, present. Also in attendance was Todd Sklodosky recording. Commissioner Sharkey was absent.

AGENDA ITEM #2 APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 9, 2025.

Commissioner Comfort made the motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting on July 9, 2025. Motion seconded with **All in favor**; **motion carried**.

AGENDA ITEM #3 ADDRESS PUBLIC CONCERNS.

Mention made of two electric outages reported due to a large bird's nest resting on the wires. An environmental agency has been contacted for possible relocation.

AGENDA ITEM #4 READING OF COMMUNICATIONS.

There were no readings for this session.

AGENDA ITEM #5 REPORTS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS.

Chairman Demicco made mention he attended a CMEEC and Borough meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #6 OTHER BUSINESS.

Director Alvarado briefed the Board on the transformer yard cleanup. Mention was made of 38 shutoffs for July 2025 totaling \$10,600.00. The Board was briefed on \$261,000.00 bad debt that was sent to collections.

AGENDA ITEM #7 NEW BUSINESS.

An RFP for tree trimming during storms were discussed. Asbestos at 29 School St. was reported and that quotes to remove it have been received. Chair. Demicco made the motion to accept the quote. Motion seconded with **All in favor**; **motion carried**.

A presentation on fee schedules were shown to the Board with much discussion on changes to the policy. Chairman Demicco made the motion to accept the changes as presented. Motion seconded with **All in favor**; **motion carried**.

Also presented to the Board were new rates and structures for customer billing. Included in the presentation was that there has been no increase in rates since 2022. There was much discussion regarding JCDPU's costs and direction on energy conservation with the proposed rate increase to be discussed further at the next meeting.

AGENDA ITEM #8 EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Chair. Demicco made the motion to enter the executive session at 5:00 PM. Motion seconded with All **in favor**; **motion carried**. Regular session was re-entered at 5:12 PM. (No motions were made in the Executive Session.).

AGENDA ITEM #9 ADJOURN.

Chairman Demicco made the motion to adjourn at 5:12 PM. Motion seconded with All in favor; motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by,

Todd A. Sklodosky Secretary to the Board