

# CONFIRMED MINUTES

## PMPA BOARD MEETING



At the **PMPA Board Meeting** on **Dec 19, 2024** these minutes were **confirmed as presented**.

<b>Name:</b>	Piedmont Municipal Power Agency
<b>Date:</b>	Thursday, November 21, 2024
<b>Time:</b>	10:00 AM to 12:26 PM (EST)
<b>Location:</b>	PMPA Office, 121 Village Drive, Greer, SC 29651
<b>Board Members:</b>	Blake Stone (Chair), Tom Brooks, Andy Sevic, Eric Goodwin, Donnie Hardin, Steve Bratton, Mike Richard, Marc Regier, John Young, Keith Wood, Mayor Foster Senn, Jimmy Bagley, Jason Taylor, David Vehaun, Joe Nichols, Lance Davis, Kevin Bronson
<b>Attendees:</b>	Joel Ledbetter, JulieAnne London, Mike Frazier, Dennis Cameron, Tracy Quinn, Lynn Price, Will Blanton, Kenny Bradley, Robby Townsend, Tom Gressette, Rion Foley, Gary Brunault
<b>Apologies:</b>	Tim Hall, Ronnie Roth, Mayor Brian Ramey, Cindy Frierson, Angie Hoover, Brandon Audet, Dedra Howell
<b>Guests:</b>	Andrea Kelley
<b>Notes:</b>	Virtual Attendees: Tom Brooks, David Vehaun, Tom Gressette, Rion Foley, Gary Brunault, and Andrea Kelley

### 1. Call to Order

#### 1.1 Identify Virtual Attendees

#### 1.2 Declaration of Quorum

Chairman Stone declared that a quorum is present and the Board can conduct business.

#### 1.3 Invocation

Mr. Ledbetter gave the invocation.

Chairman Stone congratulated Mr. Ledbetter on the birth of his grandson, Landon James Price, on November 8.

### 2. Administration of Oath of Office to New Board Member

#### 2.1 Oath of Office - Jason Taylor, City of Newberry

Mrs. Quinn, Office Manager/Executive Secretary, who is also a Notary Public, administered the oath of office to Jayson Taylor, who has been appointed Alternate Director from Newberry (copy attached).

### 3. Approval of Minutes

#### 3.1 Confirm Minutes

**PMPA Board Meeting Sep 19, 2024**, the minutes were confirmed as presented.

#### 3.2 Vote to Approve Minutes of September 26 and October 23-24 2024 meetings



##### **Vote to Approve Minutes of September 26 and October 23-24 2024 meetings**

Minutes approved as submitted.

10 Supported

0 Opposed

0 Abstained

**Decision Date:** Nov 21, 2024  
**Mover:** Donnie Hardin  
**Seconder:** John Young  
**Outcome:** Approved

### 4. Acceptance of Financial Report

#### 4.1 September and October 2024



##### **September and October 2024**

Financial Report approved as submitted.

10 Supported

0 Opposed

0 Abstained

**Decision Date:** Nov 21, 2024  
**Mover:** Kevin Bronson  
**Seconder:** Joe Nichols  
**Outcome:** Approved

### 5. Reports

#### 5.1 Finance

As a result of discussions at the planning meeting, Mrs. London presented PMPA's outstanding bonds with call dates.

Mrs. London also stated that the 2015A bonds are callable in 2025 and reviewed the saving that could be realized by a refunding. The analysis was prepared by Wells Fargo.

#### 5.2 Engineering

Mr. Frazier reviewed the standard engineering reports for September and October that were included in the Board Pack.

Mr. Frazier also advised the Board that there PMPA is hosting an Operations Forum on December 4, in Easley. Information and registrations forms have been sent to the appropriate contacts.

Mr. Frazier reviewed the current status of the Laurens Transmission Line.

Mr. Frazier also introduced Robby Townsend to the Board. Robbie is a Network Administrator, and will report to Will Blanton, Manager of Operational Technology.

### 5.3 Catawba

Mr. Cameron reviewed the Catawba and McGuire report that was included in the Board Pack.

### 5.4 Management

Mr. Ledbetter advised the Board that the Senate Special Committee on the Energy Future has held several meetings to discuss South Carolina's energy future. Mr. Ledbetter noted that he would expect legislation to be filed early in the 2025 legislative session. He also noted that Burr Forman had prepared a memo summarizing the meetings and analyzing the draft legislation expected next year. Mr. Ledbetter will be posting this information to BoardPro.

Mr. Ledbetter informed the Board that Burr Forman had provided a general election report that is available on BoardPro.

Mr. Ledbetter also advised the Board that Thompson Coburn presented an Energy Policy in the Next Congress & Administration Webinar on November 12. If you could not participate in the webinar, there is a link and slides on BoardPro.

Mr. Ledbetter reminded the Board that the APPA Legislative Rally was coming up soon and that PMPA would pay for one participant from each Member city/utility to attend. The Board should receive an email from Tracy soon regarding the conference.

Mr. Ledbetter stated that Highland Lake Inn is available October 29 - 31, 2025, for the Board Planning Meeting. He planned to book those dates unless anyone had any objections.

Lastly, Mr. Ledbetter advised the Board that one speaker has been confirmed for the 2025 Power Conference. He requested that anyone with suggestions for speakers let him know.

## 6. Action Items

### 6.1 Consideration of 2025 G&A Budget



#### Consideration of 2025 G&A Budget

The 2025 G&A Budget was approved as submitted with the following votes.

**9 Supported:** Andy Sevic , Blake Stone , Donnie Hardin, Foster Senn , Jimmy Bagley , Joe Nichols , John Young , Kevin Bronson, Tom Brooks

**1 Opposed:** Mike Richard

**0 Abstained:**

**Decision Date:** Nov 21, 2024  
**Mover:** Kevin Bronson  
**Second:** Mayor Foster Senn  
**Outcome:** Approved

## 6.2 Approval of revised NITSA



### Approval of revised NITSA

The Board requested that this item be moved to the December 2025 Board meeting for consideration therefore the decision to approve the NITSA at the November Board meeting failed.

10 Supported moving item to December 2025 meeting.  
0 Opposed  
0 Abstained

**Decision Date:** Nov 21, 2024  
**Outcome:** Not Approved

## 7. Presentations

## 8. Executive Session

### 8.1 Vote to enter into Executive Session



#### Vote to enter into Executive Session

Motion to enter into Executive Session approved.

10 Supported  
0 Opposed  
0 Abstained

**Decision Date:** Nov 21, 2024  
**Mover:** Donnie Hardin  
**Seconder:** Jimmy Bagley  
**Outcome:** Approved

### 8.2 Discuss matters pertaining to contractual negotiations

### 8.3 Discuss matters pertaining to ongoing litigation

### 8.4 Vote to return to Regular Session



#### Vote to return to Regular Session

Motion to return to Regular Session approved.

10 Supported  
0 Opposed  
0 Abstained

**Decision Date:** Nov 21, 2024  
**Mover:** Mayor Foster Senn  
**Seconder:** Jimmy Bagley  
**Outcome:** Approved

## 9. Actions to be taken based on discussion in Executive Session

### 9.1 Santee Cooper billing dispute



#### Santee Cooper billing dispute

A motion was made by Mr. Bronson, seconded by Mr. Hardin, authorizing staff to notify Santee Cooper of PMPA's dispute of the correctness of the bills received pursuant to the Power Sales Agreement between the South Carolina Public Service Authority (Santee Cooper) and PMPA. The dispute is based on Santee Cooper's calculation of the capacity rates under the Agreement. The disputed billing began with the billing for the January 2024 usage that was received by PMPA in February 2024.

10 Supported

0 Opposed

0 Abstained

**Decision Date:** Nov 21, 2024  
**Mover:** Kevin Bronson  
**Second:** Donnie Hardin  
**Outcome:** Approved

### 9.2 Proposal to Santee Cooper for future power supply



#### Proposal to Santee Cooper for future power supply

A motion was made by Mr. Hardin, seconded by Mr. Bronson to authorize staff to make a power supply request and proposal to Santee Cooper for future power supply. The resulting agreement, if any, between PMPA and Santee Cooper will be brought to the Board of Directors for review, ratification and approval.

10 Supported

0 Opposed

0 Abstained

**Decision Date:** Nov 21, 2024  
**Mover:** Kevin Bronson  
**Second:** Jimmy Bagley  
**Outcome:** Approved

## 10. Participant Discussion and Other Business

### 11. Adjourn

#### 11.1 Adjourn

**Next meeting:** PMPA Board Meeting - Dec 19, 2024, 10:00 AM

Kevin Bronson made a motion to adjourn with a second by Jimmy Bagley. The motion carried unanimously.

Signature: Gene D. F. Datta

Date: December 19, 2024

**THE CITY OF NEWBERRY**

**RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the City of Newberry, “the City,” is a “municipality” as defined in S.C. Code Ann. § 6-23-20(g) (Supp. 2003); and

WHEREAS, the City is a member of Piedmont Municipal Power Agency (“PMPA”) and is entitled to appoint a Director and an alternate Director to PMPA’s Board of Directors by S. C. Code Ann. § 6-23-70 (Supp. 2003) and PMPA’s Bylaws, to serve at the pleasure of the City; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to appoint Mayor Foster Senn as its Director to PMPA’s Board of Directors, to serve until the City determines otherwise; and

WHEREAS, the City desires to appoint City Manager Jason Taylor as the alternate Director to PMPA’s Board of Directors, to serve until the City determines otherwise.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED:

THAT, Mayor Foster Senn be and hereby is duly appointed as the City’s Director to serve on PMPA’s Board of Directors with the full power and authority to act on behalf of the City with all rights attendant to that position under law and PMPA’s Bylaws; and

THAT City Manager Jason Taylor be and hereby is duly appointed as the City’s alternate Director to serve on PMPA’s Board of Directors with the full power and authority to act on behalf of the City’s in the absence of the Director herein appointed with the same rights as such Director;

THAT, the Director and alternate Director shall serve in their described capacities until the City determines otherwise by duly executed Resolution;






THAT the City shall cause a certified copy of the Resolution to be delivered to PMPA in accordance with PMPA's Bylaws.

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of November 2024

ATTEST:

BY: Newberry City Council

  
Katelyn Piester, City Clerk



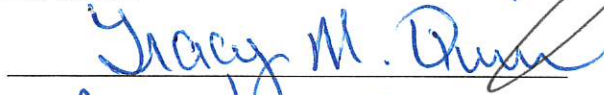
**OATH OF OFFICE**

**PIEDMONT MUNICIPAL POWER AGENCY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

"I do solemnly swear  
or affirm that I am duly qualified,  
according to the Code of Laws of the State of South Carolina,  
to exercise the duties of a Board member of the Piedmont Municipal Power Agency  
and that I will, equally and impartially, to the best of my ability,  
exercise the trust reposed in me, and discharge the duties thereof,  
and carry into effect, according to the law, the purposes for which I have been appointed.  
So help me God."



ATTEST:



November 21, 2024

Date

