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The Hurricane City Power Board met on January 14, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. at the Clifton Wilson Substation located at 526 W 600 N.

In attendance were Mac Hall, Dave Imlay, Mark Maag, Mike Johns, Brian Anderson, Mike Ramirez, Jared Ross, Kaden DeMille, Dayton Hall, Mike Vercimak, Fred Resch, Kael Hirschi, Richard Hirschi, Rhett Hirschi, Kyson Spendlove, and Crystal Wright.

Mac Hall welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mac Hall led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered the prayer. Dave Imlay motioned to approve the minutes from the October 28, 2025, Special Meeting. Mark Maag seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Mark Maag motioned to approve the minutes from the November 12, 2025, Meeting. Dave Imlay seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mike Johns: Mike Johns provided a brief update on the Cost of Service study. We held a meeting with administration and department staff as directed and have decided that the existing cash reserve policy is where we will stay. We have relayed that information to Utility Financial Solutions (UFS), and they will update the presentation with two 5-year options. One will include a Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) and one without a PCA. We will be scheduling a work meeting with the new City Council to introduce this topic as well as others that will be coming before them for decisions soon.

Brian Anderson: Brian Anderson stated the Line Crew has been working on 1100 West. They pulled wire today from 2300 South to 3000 South. We're waiting on some poles so we will move to the 2800 West project until the rest of the poles are here. Christmas decorations have been removed for the year.

Mike Ramirez: Mike Ramirez reported that we've received delivery of a lot of the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) Equipment from Eaton and the supplies needed to install those gateways. He also provided an update on the Grid Reliance Grant and the reporting that was submitted. We've received an approved purchase order for the remainder of the engineering for the 600 North project which the grant was for. We will be submitting reimbursements to the grant as the expenses start to come in. Mike Johns stated we've been working with ICPE on putting the projects we've requested of them in order by our priority.

Jared Ross: Jared Ross reported on the Generator 8 rebuild that is taking place. There was piston damage found in all but two due to deposits in the cylinder liners. Due to that we will be installing cylinder packs. We will also roll main bearings in. This will be a total end frame rebuild which is more extensive than Generator 6 was last year. We're about done cleaning up and will begin assembling it hopefully next week. There were questions about what is causing the extra piston damage and if we can expect that same damage each year as we continue each engine rebuild. Jared Ross stated that the engines operate and function best when they start up and run continuously. It's harder on them to start and stop them like we do for our load peak shaving. He expects to find similar results in the remaining engines.



Discussion and possible recommendation to the City Council on Pre-Approved Contractor Re-Certification Course including fees: Mike Ramirez explained how the existing high voltage prequalified contractor approval process works and the fee schedule that is in place. We need to increase that fee schedule and he explained the justification for that increase in cost. We also need to implement a recertification because as materials and processes change there is a need to have a formal update process for the contractors. This would allow us to provide updates on changes that have occurred during the year as well as keep our contractor contact list current with qualified and knowledgeable contractors. This recertification will be mandatory on an annual basis. Contractors will be removed from our list if they do not attend the annual recertification. Mike Ramirez stated this is new and explained how he envisions the process working. Dave Imlay made a motion to approve the fee increase to the proposed amount for the original contractor application and to approve the annual recertification process and proposed fee. Mark Maag seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and possible recommendation to the City Council on Approval of Bid Award for Civil Portion of Sky Mountain Substation: Jared Ross presented the bid process and information. We submitted all the bids received to ICPE for an independent bid evaluation. ICPE recommended removing the two lowest bids due to excluding materials and services that were required from their bids. Based on cost and conformance to specification, ICPE recommended the bid be awarded to Diamond W Construction based on cost, with consideration given to Interstate Rock based on previous experience. Both companies are local companies based on their current business licenses. One item that was discussed was to make sure that we receive a timeline from either company that is selected. The final decision for approval should require a project schedule. Dave Imlay made a motion to recommend awarding the bid to Diamond W Construction based on meeting the qualifications as well as low bid and ICPE's recommendation. He requested to have the project schedule provided by Diamond W Construction. Mac Hall seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. Diamond W Construction stated they anticipate being complete by June or July 2026 but will submit a project schedule within a few days.

UAMPS Updates: Mike Johns reported on the Southwest Utah Technical Task Force (SWUTTF) update. This task force is a collaboration between PacifiCorp, Dixie Power, St George, Santa Clara, Washington, and us. This includes all the entities included in overseeing the grid and power flow for Washington County. Mac Hall stated this task force is court mandated. Mike Johns continued with the item that was discussed at the meeting which was that PacifiCorp is reaching capacity on the 69KV line out of Purgatory Substation. By next year, if one transformer is lost at the substation, the loads are higher than the other transformer can handle without having to curtail the load. Hurricane's master plan is to finish a 138KV line out of the Purgatory Substation and loop it throughout Hurricane City. That will reduce some of the load off PacifiCorp's 69KV line and our new growth would be fed by 138KV, however it's not possible to have that completed by next year. This means we will have an increased reliability risk on that line out of Purgatory Substation. The task force is discussing potential solutions to work through contingencies for all of Washington County. The worst-case scenario would include having to wait 12-14 hours for a mobile transformer to be shipped and set up. This scenario enhances our efforts to keep trying to get that 138KV line finished. There was a conversation at the last Central-St George UAMPS project meeting about potentially re-adding Hurricane's 138KV loop back into that project. It wasn't well received the first time it was presented since it primarily impacts only Hurricane. However, St George has proposed a 138KV loop into the project which has no direct benefit to Hurricane and attempting to have us pay a share of that. Mike Johns denied his approval of that proposal using their denial of our 138KV loop proposal as a partial reason. The Central-St George project committee agreed to re-evaluate the inclusion of Hurricane's 138KV loop as a result. Mike Johns also added that PacifiCorp is still planning on building a 345KV line down from Three Peaks to Purgatory and is still on track to have that energized by 2032.

There was a brief discussion regarding the Power Board vacancy before the meeting was adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m. The next Power Board meeting is scheduled for February 11, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.
