The Hurricane City Power Board met on July 8, 2026, at 3:00 p.m. at the Clifton Wilson Substation located at 526 W 600 N.

In attendance were Mac Hall, Dave Imlay, Colt Stratton, Kerry Prince, Mark Maag, Angie Erickson, Mike Johns, Brian Anderson, Mike Ramirez, Jared Ross, Alex Farnsworth, Kaden DeMille, Fred Resch, Bruce Zimmerman, and Crystal Wright.

Mac Hall welcomed everyone to the meeting. Mark Maag led the Pledge of Allegiance and Colt Stratton offered the prayer. Dave Imlay motioned to approve the minutes from June 2026. Mark Maag seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Mike Johns: Mike Johns reported we plan to hire two additional employees this year. We are looking for a groundman as well as a substation employee. He reminded the board of the upcoming UAMPS Member Conference coming in August. He showed a graph showing the Power Cost Adjustment (PCA) through the first two months. We will continue to update this graph and include it with the budget graphs in each Power Board packet. He then showed a 5-year history of UAMPS bills for the months of April and May to show a potential comparison of the effect of the new Extended Day Ahead Market (EDAM). He explained that we had already been given heads up that the May UAMPS bill would be higher due to some of the EDAM fees being included on that. Crystal Wright mentioned we've been hovering near our all-time peak load of 55.76MW in the last couple of days. With hot weather in store we anticipate we will surpass that peak this year.

Brian Anderson: Brian Anderson stated the Line Crew has spent a lot of time on working on two phases of the Capacity 2.0 project. He will be working on cost reconciliation with Crystal Wright. He would like to have all remaining phases and the reconciliation complete to close this project within the next couple of months. Our annual inventory audit went well. We plan on wrecking out some inventory items this year that are either obsolete items, or items like nuts that are not worth including in inventory for the quantity we count each year compared to their value. He updated the board on the annual tree trimming situation. The low bid for the year was a new company, Arbor Masters, located out of Montana. The company started and about halfway through the job they quit and went back to Montana and told us they wouldn't be able to complete the job. We contacted BA Robinson, who had the second lowest bid, and they were willing to complete the remainder of the job from the original bid. We just removed the section of trees by the sewer lagoon to stay under budget. Dave Imlay asked a question about a possible choke point on that line for Capacity 2.0. Brian Anderson stated they investigated it and the alternate phase bypasses that potential issue. Dave Imlay asked about the flag banners that were missed for July 4th. They had been overlooked and missed. He would like to see flags placed for: July 4th, July 24th, Veteran's Day, and Memorial Day.

Mike Ramirez: Mike Ramirez provided an update on AMI. Everything is ready to go except the cellular communication link between the installed Eaton gateways and AT&T FirstNet. Our IT personnel have been working with both Eaton and AT&T on resolving this issue and are hopeful it's getting close. Once that communication link is working, we can begin setting meters. Crystal Wright has been helping work on getting the first reimbursement invoices submitted for the Grid Reliance Grant. He informed the board that we are the first utility to submit reimbursement requests from this grant, and we weren't awarded our grant until the second round of submissions. We are now the furthest along in the process for this grant.

Jared Ross: Jared Ross reported that the generators have been running well overall. He reported that he and Brent George are splitting the week to work the generator run. They both attended training from Schweitzer Engineering Laboratories (SEL) this past month and it is always good training. This is substation relay equipment training, and he described more specifically what that training included. We've also been working on engineering for Substation #1 which will be located at approximately 3200 South 2600 West.

Discussion and possible recommendation to the City Council regarding Underground Standards and Specifications: Alex Farnsworth thanked everyone for the feedback he received on this document. He ended up pulling out the transformer sizing table and replaced it with a sentence that Hurricane City Power will properly size the transformers. He mentioned an issue that was presented today by Mark Maag that is valid regarding meter height placements. Mark Maag had provided some pictures for discussion showing the issue. A long discussion about the issue of meter height placement provided a solution to the language in the standards. Mac Hall asked if this item is ready for a recommendation to the City Council or if it needs more work. With additional language included it was determined that we are ready for a recommendation. Dave Imlay made a motion to approve the Underground Standards and Specifications with a language modification to include a 3'6" minimum to 6'7" maximum to the breaker or center of the top meter for height placement and to only allow 4 stack meters to meet this standard. Mark Maag seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion regarding updates to Pole Attachment Standards: Mike Johns stated this is not ready for a recommendation at this point. He included information in the packet and as we get new information and updates, we will bring those items back to the board for discussion. Mac Hall asked if we have received any feedback from any of the communications companies. Mike Johns stated that we have received some. A meeting was held with a new company looking for a franchise agreement. During that discussion the issues we've been having with pole attachments were brought up. That company has since attended City Council and signed a franchise agreement. However, they have not requested to attach to any poles yet and we're hoping to have standards in place prior to that time. Kaden DeMille asked about the separation between communications cables and if they will be stacked on a pole. Alex Farnsworth stated it currently states 12" separation which meets NESC standard, however, because of the wind causing issues with causing cables wrap around each other we are planning on increasing that distance to 18". Kaden DeMille followed up with how many cables will we allow on each pole. Alex Farnsworth stated we will only allow three cables on each distribution pole. Dave Imlay stated his understanding is that we can't disallow pole attachments, but we could require upgrades to our poles to accommodate the attachment. He's not certain that is still correct. Alex Farnsworth stated he couldn't find any evidence of a law that exists that specifies that, but he will continue to investigate that further. Bruce Zimmerman asked how far the communication lines are supposed to be away from the power lines. Alex Farnsworth stated NESC lists a 40" clearance, however, we will be requiring 48" to give some extra working clearance.

UAMPS Updates: Mike Johns stated there isn't any further discussion that wasn't disclosed already.

Dave Imlay requested a list of resources broken down to include resource information, debt service and transmission costs which make up total cost of the resource. He would like to see this information presented quarterly.

Meeting adjourned at 3:57 p.m. The next Power Board meeting is scheduled for August 12, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.