

MARCH 2021 CALLED BOARD MINUTES

A called meeting of the Bristol Tennessee Essential Services Board of Directors was held on Wednesday, March 24, 2021 at 2:00 PM. The meeting was held pursuant to Governor Bill Lee's Executive Order No. 16, which allows members of the governing body subject to the Tennessee Open Meetings Act to meet and conduct essential business by electronic means if the body determines meeting electronically is necessary to protect the health, safety and welfare of Tennesseans in light of the COVID-19 pandemic. The public could attend the meeting live via remote access from the BTES office and was notified of the process for joining remotely with detailed instructions on the BTES website, including the opportunity to address the Board on any matter of BTES business. The meeting continued electronically by general consensus.

Call to Order

Chairman Downs called the meeting to order at 2:00.

Board Members Present

Erin Downs, Vince Turner, David Akard III, Larry Clarke and Doug Harmon

Staff Present

CEO Dr. Mike Browder, Director of Engineering Clayton Dowell, Director of Management Services Tara Ellis and Director of Accounting and Finance Lola McVey

Others Present

Attorney C. Thomas Davenport, BTES customer Tim Carter and his son Michael Carter

Site Consultants, Inc./Raceday Campground

Chairman Downs stated that the reason for the called meeting was to address the BTES policy of requiring contracts for all General Power customers. She asked Mr. Dowell to give an overview of contract transactions for Raceday Campground. Chairman Downs then asked Mr. Davenport about legal issues with exceptions to the contract requirement. He stated that our contract with TVA requires BTES to be non-discriminatory. Our policy is that customers pay for special facilities so that other customers do not bear that burden. If the policy is changed, then our Rules and Regulations would need to be amended which requires TVA approval. There was no motion from the Board. Mr. Carter then addressed the Board about his issues with the contract for electric service for Raceday Campground.

Chairman Downs adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully Submitted,



David Akard III, Secretary