

**Antigo Public Library
Board of Trustees
Minutes of Meeting Held April 19, 2023
Special Meeting: 5 p.m.
McGinley Room, Antigo Public Library
Sheryl Perkins, Presiding**

Name	Attendance	Notes
Sheryl Perkins, President	Present	
Moira Scupien, Vice Present	Absent	Funeral
Ken Shestak, Policy Chair	Present	
Becki Kassis, Build/Ground Chair	Present	Via Zoom
Abby Mattek	Present	
Ben Pierce	Present	
Barb Rebstock	Present	
Gloria Rettinger	Present	

Others in attendance: Ada Demlow, Library Director, Mark Desotell, City Administrator, Legacy Solar Consultants Peter Fiala and Tony Hartmann via Zoom

Call to Order

Perkins called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. Demlow stated that we had Legacy Solar with us to answer questions to help us narrow down to one vendor. Questions they were asked to address included costs of extended warranties through Northwind, and references and experience for Jolma.

Legacy Solar presented an updated spreadsheet with updated rankings based on references, favorability with the board, experience, etc. They shared comments from people they had talked with about Jolma. They stated that a cost for an extended warranty for 3 of the inverters with Northwind would be 1500. They did not hear back on the cost of the extended warranty on the 2 Tesla inverters. They also gave updated information about the batteries being used by Jolma which they were very positive about recommending. This information was discussed with clarifying questions answered.

Demlow asked if distance would be a factor in service after installation. It was discussed that their technicians lived in different places, and they could choose closer ones to come. In addition, since there are very few things that could happen that would require immediate help from them, scheduling them would be no different than scheduling someone else because even a close vendor might be booked up themselves and couldn't come immediately. There was also discussion about the value of spending less dollars on this project to be able to move forward on other projects.

Perkins invited Desotell to share his thoughts. He shared experiences with grants that were rescinded during an audit for choosing to high of a bid. He said while he doubted that would happen with this grant, he felt like with limited dollars for these kinds of projects throughout the country, it was a good practice to be careful with grant dollars. It is possible that we may not have to use the entire grant dollars to get the project done. That would leave dollars for other communities.

Approval

Perkins asked if we needed to rescind the vote from last month. Demlow stated that since our last vote kept both Jolma and Northwind on the table until we got questions answered that would not be necessary. Perkins called the question.

Pierce made a motion to accept Jolma as our vendor for the Antigo Public Library Solar Project. Rebstock seconded. Motion carried.

Next full board meeting will be April 25 at 5 p.m.

Shestak made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mattek seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.