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MEETINGS

WATERTOWN:

Regular meeting
April 5th, 7:00 p.m.
Watertown, NY 13601

PLATTSBURGH:

Satellite meeting
April 12th, 7:00 p.m.
Plattsburgh, NY 13601

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REMINDER

2nd Quarter Dues Are Now Payable

Wiremen \$126.60
Apprentice \$120.60

Check or exact cash accepted.

You may also pay your Quarterly Union dues via PayPal on the members only section of our web site.

<https://ibew910.org/910-members/>

If you have any questions concerning how much you may owe, please call (315) 782-5630

COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT INCREASE

At the March meeting, the membership voted to allocate the increase in our total package as follows:

Increase total package of \$1.65; \$.20 H&W, \$.20 Pension, \$.25 Annuity and \$1.00 into paycheck, effective April 1, 2022.

REFERRAL SYSTEM

As of April 1st, we will return to normal referral procedures. Original book signing will be in person only, the referral hours in Watertown are 8:00 am-4:00 pm, Plattsburgh 8:00 am -10:00 am.

Contact Business Manager John O'Driscoll with any questions or concerns, 315-782-5630 or jo@ibew910.org.



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BUSINESS MANAGER

Report at March 2022 Regular Meeting

U=Union / NU = Non Union



Currently we have 54 Journeymen on Book I, 14 on Book II, 3 Apprentices available, 2 Residential, CE, CW's and 1 Tele-data Technician available for work.

Jobs bid in the last two weeks include: Alexandria Central School District - Locker Room Renovations was a GC Bid that went to Dow Electric(NU) for \$129,947, they will self-perform electric; Carthage CSD Capital Improvements Phase III had Watson Electric(U) low at \$699,134; Lewis County 2022 Facility Improvements has SC Spencer Electric(NU) low at \$2,130,000; Lewis County Public Safety Building Lowville – HVAC Improvements had Kahrs Electric(NU) low at \$76,000; Town of Norfolk – Emergency Generator at Knapps Station Road Pump Station had NextEra(NU) low at \$33,000.

From Executive Board Report;

Jobs bid in the last two weeks include: Lewis County Hospital Addition and Revitalization REBID went to NYTRIC(U) \$3,756,850 and Massena CSD Capital Improvements Phase III – REBID went to Dow(NU) for \$2,155,100.

Upcoming work includes: Lewis County General Hospital Addition and Revitalization, Center CJ Intelligence & Cyber Security Renovation, Dana Hall- SUNY Canton, NYPA MA-Advance Power Flow Control Project, Water Supply Improvements – Au Sable Forks, Brasher Falls School – Capital Outlay, St. Lawrence Seaway – Power Upgrades, Renovate Memorial Hall, SUNY Plattsburg, Newcomb CSD Capital Renovations, Harrisville - Bus Garage Reconstruction, Agri-Mark - McCadam Cheese, several sub-station upgrades for New York Power Authority, as well as several large solar projects in the works.

School projects that are in various stages of development: Parishville-Hopkinton \$2.3 million, Brushton-Moira \$11.5 million, Indian River \$41 million, Carthage \$35 million, Madrid Waddington \$5 million and Potsdam \$23.5 million.

Currently on the job line we have calls for Lake Placid for O'Connell, a regular and a short call with overtime. I have had some Travelers sign Book II but the biggest stumbling block is an affordable place to stay in the Lake Placid area.

The bid results I reported above were not what we had hoped for. The Lewis County job was the most disappointing. There were 7 bids submitted ranging from SC Spencer's low bid at \$2,130,000 to a high bid of \$3,110,000. Spencer was \$291,000 lower than second place Empire Northeast. These were the only 2 non-union bidders. The Carthage school only had 3 electrical bidders, with Dow being non-union. The Lewis County Hospital bid is scheduled for this Friday. The budget for that job is \$3.2 million. I am hopeful we will have no non-union bidders on that job.

Monday evening, IBEW Business Managers in construction and utilities were on a zoom meeting with Governor Kathy Hochul to discuss her run for Governor in November. In an earlier zoom meeting that I was unable to attend the group talked with Democrat challenger Rep. Tom Suozzi of Long Island. After the Governor left our meeting, a long discussion was held among the Business Managers and it is clear there is an Upstate/downstate divide (as with most things political New York). The New York City and Long Island representatives do not know Kathy very well and are familiar with Suozzi. The Upstate Business Managers seem to be united in backing Hochul with the exception of Local 97 who represent National Grid employees and workers at the Nuclear plants. Hochul received the support of her party at the Democratic Convention.

The New York State Construction Business Managers had a zoom meeting last week to discuss a template Solar Farm Project Labor Agreement referred to as the "White Agreement". This is an agreement that has been used in other areas of the Country and clearly breaks down the work between the Operating Engineers, Laborers and the IBEW. The only objection from our group was the Laborers unloading the solar panels when delivered to the site.

We had another meeting on the cyber security today, that process is moving along.

A moment of silence was held for retired brother Terry Gehring.