

CITY OF VINELAND, NJ

RESOLUTION NO. 2020- 442

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PAYMENT OF AN INVOICE
TO THE AMERICAN PUBLIC POWER ASSOCIATION FOR 2021
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES.

WHEREAS, the American Public Power Association (APPA) has submitted an invoice for annual membership dues for the Vineland Municipal Electric Utility for calendar year 2021, in the amount of \$34,141.74; and

WHEREAS, the Vineland Municipal Electric Utility has been a member of the APPA for over 40 years, which supports the utility in Federal cases in Washington, DC, public relations, and provides various technical information; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Vineland:

1. THAT the payment of invoice to the American Public Power Association for said membership dues in the amount of \$34,141.74 is hereby authorized.

Adopted:

President of Council

ATTEST:

Municipal Clerk



MEMORANDUM

October 27, 2020

TO: ROBERT DICKENSON, BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR

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FROM: LISA LUCENA, ADMINISTRATIVE ANALYST

SUBJECT: RESOLUTION FOR APPA ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR 2021

I am requesting a resolution be prepared for the next city council meeting authorizing Vineland Municipal Electric Utility (VMEU) to pay its annual membership dues to the American Public Power Association (APPA) for calendar year 2021.

For your convenience, I've attached a copy of the prepared resolution for this request.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Approved by:  John Lillie, Director of VMU

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Cc: John Lillie
Miguel Mercado

**REQUEST FOR RESOLUTION FOR CONTRACT AWARDS
UNDER 40A:11-5 EXCEPTIONS
(PROFESSIONAL SERVICES, EUS, SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE, ETC)**

10/27/2020

(DATE)

1. Service (detailed description): APPA Annual membership dues for 2021

2. Amount to be Awarded: \$ 34,141.74

- Encumber Total Award
 Encumber by Supplemental Release

3. Amount Budgeted: \$ 34,141.74

4. Budgeted: By Ordinance No. _____
Or Grant: Title & Year _____

5. **Account Number to be Charged: 0-05-55-502-9006-53427 E930

6. Contract Period: Annual - 2021

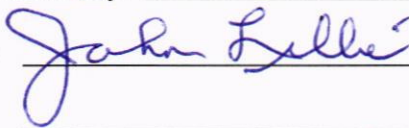
7. Date To Be Awarded: _____

8. Recommended Vendor and Address: American Public Power Association
PO Box 418617, Boston, MA 02241-8617

9. Justification for Vendor Recommendation:(attach additional information for Council review)
Sole source - Membership dues

- Non-Fair & Open (Pay-to-Play documents required)
 Fair & Open: How was RFP advertised? _____

10. Evaluation Performed by: Lisa Lucena

11. Approved by: 

12. Attachments:

- Awarding Proposal
 Other: APPA Inv.#356947

- **Send copies to:**
Purchasing Division
Business Administration

**** If more than one account #, provide break down**



payment address:
PO Box 418617
Boston, MA 02241-8617

correspondence address:
2451 Crystal Drive
Suite 1000
Arlington, VA 22202-4804

finance@publicpower.org
202/467-2900
202/495-7467 (fax)
www.PublicPower.org

DUES INVOICE

John Lillie Director of Municipal Utilities Vineland Municipal Electric Utility PO Box 1508 Vineland, NJ 08362-1508	DATE: 10/14/2020 INVOICE # 356947 MEMBER # 4404 Vineland Municipal Electric Utility
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Retail Revenue: \$97,818,300	Retail kWh Sales: 654,285,000	Customers: 25,013	Join Date: 01/01/1971
Wholesale Revenue: \$0	Wholesale kWh Sales: 0	Last Years Dues: \$ 31,524.57	

APPA dues for **Vineland Municipal Electric Utility** were calculated using data for the year 2018 as follows:

Retail Revenue < \$20 million: \$20,000,000.00 X .0004805878	\$9,611.76
Total Revenue > \$20 million: \$77,818,300.00 X .0002010063	\$15,641.97
Retail kWh < 1 billion: 654285000 X .0000096849	\$6,336.68
Total customer/meters: 25,013 X .102	\$2,551.33
Calculated annual dues based on APPA's utility member dues formula is	\$34,141.74
Total	\$34,141.74

APPA dues for Vineland Municipal Electric Utility	AMOUNT DUE: \$34,141.74
for twelve months starting 1/1/2021	DATE DUE: 01/01/2021

APPA will provide superior professional representation, information, and services necessary to enable public power to excel in a changing business, legislative, and regulatory environment.
 Dues payments to APPA are not deductible as charitable contributions for U.S. federal income tax purposes. Dues may be deductible as an ordinary business expense, subject to restrictions pertaining to lobbying activities.

TERMS: NET 30 DAYS

Please make checks payable to **American Public Power Association** Tax ID: 53-0026315

Payments can be made via ACH by contacting Finance@PublicPower.org

Charge my credit card (check one) MasterCard VISA American Express Discover

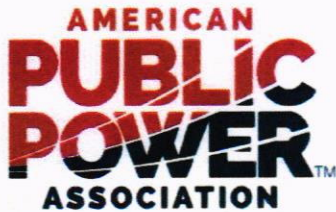
Cardholder Name: _____ Cardholder Signature: _____

Card Number: _____ Expiration Date: _____ Total to Charge: _____

Remit payment to:
American Public Power Association
P.O. Box 418617
Boston, MA 02241-8617

Please include a copy of this invoice with your payment.

Your PO Number: _____



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October 21, 2020

John Lillie
Director of Municipal Utilities
Vineland Municipal Electric Utility
PO Box 1508
Vineland, NJ 08362-1508

Dear John:

Thank you for your membership in the American Public Power Association. Your annual dues are up for renewal, and now more than ever, APPA needs your support to help us provide a strong collective voice for public power.

APPA understands the enormous constraints the COVID-19 pandemic is placing on your utility. APPA staff are working hard to provide you with information and resources that address the myriad of issues your utility and community face during this crisis. You and your team can access these tools 24/7 on our Public Power COVID-19 Information Hub at [PublicPower.org/topic/COVID-19](https://www.PublicPower.org/topic/COVID-19).

APPA continues to educate Hill staff on how public power utilities are being impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic and is pressing for short-term financial assistance to public power utilities that are facing liquidity challenges as a result of declining load and increased non-payments by customers. Additionally, APPA is pushing for other financial relief measures for its members, including:

- increasing funding for the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP);
- restoration of advance refunding bonds;
- increasing the small-issuer exception from \$10 million to \$30 million;
- ending the sequestration of direct payment bonds, such as Build America Bonds;
- enabling public power utilities to be eligible for the Payroll Tax Credit to offset the costs of the expanded Family Medical Leave Act and sick leave provisions included in the Families First Coronavirus Relief Act; and,
- ensuring that supplemental emergency funds given to the Power Marketing Administrations, Bureau of Reclamation, and Army Corps of Engineers is deemed non-reimbursable (to ensure these costs are not passed through to customers through increased rates).

In addition, if the next COVID-19 bill includes language to extend the length of energy tax credits, such as the wind production tax credit or solar investment tax credit, APPA will push for the inclusion of comparable incentives for public power utilities to allow them to benefit from these credits.

As Congress and the federal government resume normal activities in the future, APPA will continue to advocate on the issues that matter to public power, including:

- educating federal lawmakers on public power's efforts to reduce its carbon dioxide emissions;
- advocating to provide public power with comparable energy-related tax incentives;
- fighting efforts to repeal or gut public power's exemption from federal pole attachment regulations;
- supporting legislation to provide grants to public power utilities and others for the deployment of electric vehicle charging infrastructure along national corridors;

- informing federal lawmakers how the electric sector works closely with its federal government partners to protect the grid from a cyber or physical attack; and,
- defending against proposals to divest the transmission assets of the Power Marketing Administrations (PMAs) and Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA).

Because of your APPA membership, your team can access the vital resources they need to succeed during COVID-19 and beyond, including:

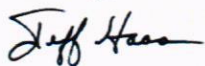
- staff experts on federal legislative and policy issues, engineering and operations, safety, cyber and physical security, disaster planning and response, customer services, communications, human resources, and more;
- members-only reports, surveys, and statistical analysis;
- peer-driven electronic discussion forums in all operational areas;
- complimentary and low-cost virtual and in-person education and training;
- utility operations tools, like the eReliability Tracker and eSafety Tracker web-based services, to help you track and analyze critical operations areas;
- utility programs, like the Reliable Public Power Provider (RP3) and the Smart Energy Provider (SEP) programs, that help you benchmark your operations against industry peers and gain valuable recognition for your efforts;
- award-winning Public Power magazine and Public Power Daily e-newsletter;
- discounts on publications and software through our online Product Store; and,
- public power's research and grant program, Demonstration of Energy & Efficiency Developments (DEED). Join DEED to access grants up to \$125,000 and scholarships up to \$5,000 annually.

In the coming months, APPA will be looking very closely at its expenses and cutting costs where possible without compromising the benefits and services we provide our members, and we are holding the line on membership dues. As of July 1, 2020, there are no foreseen dues increases through 2021.

Because of the challenges we face today, APPA wants to be flexible and offer the opportunity to develop a payment plan. Please contact me at 202/467-2953 or JHaas@PublicPower.org if you would like to discuss this option or if you have questions or suggestions on how we can better serve you.

We look forward to continuing to work with you on the critical issues facing our industry.

Sincerely,



Jeff Haas
Senior Vice President, Membership & Education

Enclosures