#### MINUTES OF THE MEETING

#### OF THE

## **BOARD OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES**

#### OF THE

## CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI

# **HELD ON THE THIRTEENTH DAY OF AUGUST, 2019**

On the thirteenth day of August, 2019 the Board of Municipal Utilities met in Regular Session at 4:00 P.M. in the Board Room at the Utility office. The following members of the body were present:

Messrs:

Brian Menz, Tim Merideth, Bob Smith, Alan Keenan

Absent:

**Also Present:** J.D. Douglass, City Manager; Gerald Settles, City Council; Rick Landers, Utility Manager; Marcia Witt, Jeff Winders, Mark McGill, Doug Shaw, Ron Priday, Erin Miller of the Utility Staff

There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

#### Action on Agenda

There were no changes to the Agenda

A motion was made by Alan Keenan to accept the agenda. The motion was seconded by Bob Smith. A roll call vote was held as follows, Merideth, Smith, Menz, Keenan "Yes" The Agenda was approved.

#### Action on Monthly Agenda Items

The Chairman asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 09, 2019. A motion was made by Alan Keenan and seconded by Bob Smith. A roll call vote was held as follows. Keenan, Menz, Merideth, Smith "Yes". The minutes were approved as presented.

The Chairman asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the NERC Meeting of July 12, 2019. A motion was made by Alan Keenan and seconded by Bob Smith. A roll call vote was held as follows. Menz, Merideth, Keenan, Smith "Yes". The minutes were approved as presented.

## **Financial**

Finance Manager Marcia Witt presented the financials for June 2019. The electric retail department had net income of \$115,758. Electric Wholesale had net income of \$247,265. The Water Department had a net income of \$4,760. The Sewer Department had a net income of \$348. The sewer lagoon had a net loss of \$26,844. Witt noted that generation was down for the month. Spot sales were also down. Expenses for the month included the tree trimming project.

A motion to approve the report was made by Alan Keenan and was seconded by Bob Smith. The following roll call vote was held. Keenan, Smith, Merideth, Menz "Yes". The report of the Financial Department was approved.

## **Retail Operations**

Operations Manager Jeff Winders presented the retail operations report.

Electrical crews provided assistance to the Sikeston Jaycees on lighting issues at the Rodeo Grounds prior to the start of the Rodeo. Electric crews also assisted the Kenny Rogers Children's Center staff in installing their sensory garden. Winders reported on two electric outages on July 10, 2019 and on July 30, 2019. The first outage was storm-related and the second was due to a snake in the SW Substation.

The substation crew has been working on the SCADA project, maintenance and breaker replacement.

Winders reported maximum water usage for the month at 4.829 MGD. He also updated the Board on the status of various DNR issues and permits. Water and sewer crews are doing maintenance on leaks and fire hydrants. The North Wastewater Plant pipe replacement project is ongoing. The tank painting contractor is currently working on the Industrial Park water tank.

Waters Engineering is working on the design and scope of work for the new water plant. Final design should be completed in February 2020.

Winders reported on current project status.

A motion was made by Bob Smith to approve the Retail Operations Report. The motion was seconded by Tim Merideth and the following roll call vote was held, Merideth, Menz, Smith, Keenan "Yes". The Retail Operations Department Report was approved.

### Sikeston Power Station

Mark McGill presented the report from the Sikeston Power Station for June, 2019.

McGill reported one unplanned outage in June. The unit was taken offline to repair a tube leak in a feedwater heater. The net capacity factor for the month was 78.00%.

McGill reported that coal conservation measures are still in effect. The coal delivery schedule still has not returned to normal due to the flooding along the Missouri River. He reviewed the coal stockpile estimates and daily coal usage. We currently have 79,000 tons on the ground which is a 24-day supply. Two trains are running at this time.

McGill reported the status of current projects.

A motion was made by Tim Merideth to approve the SPS Report. The motion was seconded by Alan Keenan and the following roll call vote was held, Keenan, Menz, Merideth, Smith "Yes". The Report for the Sikeston Power Station was approved.

## WFA Delegate Resolution No. 2019-04

General Manager Rick Landers presented a Resolution naming Rick Landers as the BMU delegate to the Western Fuels Association Annual Meeting.

A motion was made by Tim Merideth to approve the Resolution. The motion was seconded by Bob Smith and the following roll call vote was held, Smith, Merideth, Menz, Keenan "Yes". The motion was approved.

#### AMI Project Schedule

Rick Landers reported on the recent AMI project kick-off meeting with the Eaton project manager. During this meeting and meetings afterward there was in-depth discussion of the project schedule. Originally planned as a multi-year project we now see the benefits of a more accelerated schedule. A few of the anticipated benefits are limiting impacts on BMU Staff, less time supporting two systems, less new/old meter storage issues, decreased installation costs and less time supporting two separate meter sets. The new schedule would target completion within twelve to eighteen months. Board members agreed with moving to the revised schedule.

#### Truck Bid

Rick Landers reviewed the bids received to replace Trucks 41, 49 and 44. Truck 41 is a 2019 1-ton cab and chassis (bed to be purchased separately). Trucks 44 and 49 are 2019 ½ ton quad cab trucks. The low bidder on Truck 41 was Ford Groves, Cape Girardeau, MO, at \$25,118.80. The low bidder on Trucks 49 and 44 was Morlan Dodge, Sikeston, MO, at \$24,812.00. Staff recommends awarding the bid for Truck 41 to Ford Groves and the bid for Trucks 49 and 44 to Morlan Dodge.

A motion was made by Alan Keenan to approve bids as recommended. The motion was seconded by Bob Smith and the following roll call vote was held, Smith, Merideth, Menz, Keenan "Yes". The motion was approved.

#### **SWPA Berm Bid**

Rick Landers reviewed the bids for the Flood Mitigation Project at the SWPA Substation. The project had been previously awarded and construction had begun. The project was stopped due to a borrow source misunderstanding. The contract language has been revised and the project is being rebid. Two bids were received on the project. The low bid was submitted by KBE Construction in the amount of \$234,000.00. BMU Staff recommends awarding the contract to KBE Construction.

A motion was made by Alan Keenan to award the contract to KBE Construction. The motion was seconded by Bob Smith and the following roll call vote was held, Smith, Merideth, Menz, Keenan "Yes". The motion was approved.

#### **Award Workers Compensation Bids**

Ron Priday reviewed the Workers Compensation Insurance bids received from two agencies. Coverage is for BMU and the City of Sikeston. Priday reviewed each bid in detail. BMU Staff recommends awarding the Workers Compensation Insurance bid to Newton & Co./Missouri Employers Mutual.

A motion was made by Tim Merideth to award the Workers Compensation bid to Newton & Co./Missouri Employers Mutual. The motion was seconded by Alan Keenan and the following roll call vote was held, Smith, Merideth, Menz, Keenan "Yes". The motion was approved.

## General Manager's Report

Boyer Outcome – Mr. Landers gave an update on an item from the July Board Meeting regarding the exchange of utility easement for services with two landowners.

City of Matthews - Landers discussed the City of Matthews' need for an emergency water interconnect with BMU.

AMI – Progress on AMI project and some of the anticipated issues that may arise.

Traffic lighting on Murray Lane – Update on possible street light upgrade along Murray Lane. We are waiting on traffic counts from the City of Sikeston.

A motion was made by Alan Keenan to approve the General Manager's Report. The motion was seconded by Bob Smith and the following roll call vote was held, Smith, Merideth, Menz, Keenan "Yes". The motion was approved.

#### **Executive Session**

Chairman Menz cited the need to enter Executive Session. Tim Merideth made a motion to enter Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Bob Smith and the following roll call vote was held. Merideth, Smith, Menz, Keenan "yes". The Board entered Executive Session.

# Adjournment

There being no further business Bob Smith moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Tim Merideth and a roll call vote was held, all yes. The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned

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