

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  
**OF THE**  
**BOARD OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES**  
**OF THE**  
**CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI**

**HELD ON THE EIGHTH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2016**

On the eighth day of November, 2016 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:** Alan Keenan, Jeff Sutton, Brian Menz, Tim Merideth

**Absent:**

**Also Present:** J.D. Douglass, City Manager; Joe Blanton, Board Attorney; Rick Landers, Utility Manager; Jeff Winders, Marcia Witt, Don Miller, Doug Shaw, Ron Friday, Erin Miller of the Utility Staff; Spencer Clay, Shannon Clay

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

**Action on Agenda**

There was no action on the agenda. Chairman Keenan introduced Spencer Clay and his mother Shannon Clay. Spencer was attending the meeting to fulfill a requirement for the Boy Scout merit badge, Communications.

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

**Action on Monthly Agenda Items**

Mr. Keenan asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 11, 2016. A motion was made by Brian Menz and seconded by Tim Merideth. A roll call vote was held as follows. Keenan, Menz, Merideth "Yes". The minutes were approved as presented.

## **Financial**

Finance Manager Marcia Witt presented the Financial Report for September, 2016.

Total kWh retail sales were up 9.2% from September, 2015. Retail Electric showed a net income of \$155,380. The electric wholesale system had a net income of \$193,618 for September. Witt reviewed SPS expenses and coal usage for the month. The water department showed a net income of \$30,166. The sewer department combined had a net income of \$9,243. The sewer department alone had a net income of \$13,946. The sewer lagoon had a net loss of \$4,702. Witt also reviewed the Electric System Pro Forma Report.

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

## **Retail Operations**

Operations Manager Jeff Winders presented the retail operations report.

Mid South has submitted their draft report for the Industrial Park Power Quality Study.

Jeff Winders reported on two recent events. First was a November 07, 2016 traffic accident on Highway 61 in front of the MODOT office. A car hit and broke a pole. Power was out for approximately two hours while BMU crews replaced the broken pole. The second incident was a water main leak on West Malone Avenue the week of October 31. A portion of W. Malone was closed overnight while repairs were made.

Winders reported the Sewer Use Ordinance was recently passed by the Sikeston City Council.

The Larcel Street force main has been installed. The construction permit for the North Plant to South Plant force main has been received. Water and sewer crews have been doing routine maintenance. Fronabarger Construction should be onsite within a few weeks to relocate the sewer line on the Village Green property. Winders reported on progress on the new water plant project and the pole inspection project.

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

## **Sikeston Power Station**

Don Miller presented the report from the Sikeston Power Station for September, 2016. There were no outages or derates for the month. The load capacity factor for September was 93.37%.

Miller reported on the fall mill outage. Final inspections should be done by November 4, 2016.

Miller reviewed the coal stockpile estimates. He reported that one train was parked at SPS October 22, 2016. He plans to run one train for the rest of the year.

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

### **Force Main Contract Bids**

Jeff Winders presented the bids for the North Plant to South Plant force main project. Four bids were received. Those bidding were G&C Contracting, CE Contracting, C.A. Walker Construction and Robertson, Inc. The low bid was submitted by G&C Contracting in the amount of \$1,489,823.50. Board and BMU staff discussed G&C's experience working in the area, the routing of the project and the source of funding. Based on the recommendation of Engineering Consultant Waters Engineering, Winders asked the Board for approval to award the contract to G&C Contracting.

A motion was made by Jeff Sutton to award the contract to G&C Contracting. The motion was seconded by Brian Menz and the following roll call vote was held, Menz, Merideth, Sutton, Keenan "Yes". Awarding the contract for the project to G&C Contracting was approved.

### **MEUC Contracts**

Rick Landers presented for approval the First Amendment to the Confirmation dated April 2017, 2016 between Arch Coal Co. and Western Fuels Association. Discussion followed regarding the proposed pricing for the agreement.

Landers also presented for approval the Power Sales Agreement between the Board of Municipal Utilities of the City of Sikeston, Missouri and the Missouri Joint Municipal Electric Utility Commission.

A motion was made by Brian Menz to approve the First Amendment to the Confirmation and to approve the Power Sales Agreement between BMU and MJMEUC. The motion was seconded by Tim Merideth and the following roll call vote was held, Menz, Merideth, Sutton, Keenan "Yes". Both agreements were approved.

### **NW Substation Power Quality Study**

Rick Landers presented the Executive Summary, Conclusions and Recommendations of the Northwest Substation 2016 Reliability Study submitted to BMU by Midsouth Utility

Consultants. The study will be sent to Unilever and a meeting with Unilever will be scheduled to discuss the report.

### **General Manager's Report**

Contract Cities Meeting – Rick Landers reported on the recent meeting, in Rolla with our contract cities.

Rate Study Update – Marcia Witt reported that we expect a draft report in the next two weeks on the Retail Electric Rate Study.

Current Topics – Rick Landers announced the retirement of Electric Line Superintendent Kenny Stokes. Stokes had been with BMU for 39 years and 5 months.

### **Executive Session**

Mr. Keenan cited a need to enter Executive Session. Tim Merideth made a motion to enter Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Jeff Sutton and the following roll call vote was held, Merideth, Menz, Keenan, Sutton “Yes”. The Board entered Executive Session. No action was taken in Executive Session and no business was transacted. Tim Merideth made a motion to adjourn Executive Session. Brian Menz seconded. Roll call vote, all yes.

### **Adjournment**

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

  
Secretary