MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
OF THE
CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI
HELD ON THE TWELFTH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2017

On the twelfth day of December, 2017 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
Absent: Alan Keenan

Also Present: Steven Burch, Mayor; J.D. Douglass, City Manager; Gerald Settles, City Council Member; Joe Blanton, Board Attorney; Rick Landers, Utility Manager; Marcia Witt, Jeff Winders, Don Miller, Doug Shaw, Ron Friday, Erin Miller of the Utility Staff

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

Action on Agenda

There was no action on the agenda

A motion was made by Tim Merideth to accept the agenda. The motion was seconded by Bob Smith. A roll call vote was held as follows, Smith, Menz, Merideth “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 November 14, 2017. A motion was made by Tim Merideth and seconded by Bob Smith. A roll call vote was held as follows. Menz, Smith, Merideth “Yes”. The minutes were approved as presented. The Chairman asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Workshop Meeting of November 29, 2017. A motion was made by Tim Merideth and seconded by Bob Smith. A roll call vote was held as follows. Menz, Smith, Merideth “Yes”. The minutes were approved as presented. The Chairman asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Workshop Meeting of December 08, 2017. A motion was made by Tim Merideth and seconded by Bob Smith. A roll call vote was held as follows. Menz, Smith, Merideth “Yes”. The minutes were approved as presented.
Financial

Finance Manager Marcia Witt presented the Financial Report for October, 2017. Witt reviewed and discussed the Electric System Wholesale and Retail Pro Forma reports. Witt reported that October spot electric sales were good. Witt responded to questions from Board and City staff regarding Actual vs. Budget items in the Pro Forma. She also addressed questions on cash reserves.

The Electric Retail System had a net income of $244,486. Electric Wholesale showed a net income of $558,917. Water Department had a net income of $21,294. The Sewer Department had a net income of $13,469. The Sewer Lagoon had a net income of $5,640.

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

Retail Operations

Operations Manager Jeff Winders presented the retail operations report.

Winders gave a transformer status update for NE and NW substations. Crews are repairing air leaks at the north wastewater treatment plant.

Winders reported on the water test drilling. Layne Arkansas completed drilling at the Illinois Avenue site. Results were not as good as we had hoped they would be. An alternate test drilling site along Highway 61 south is being considered.

Winders reported on the current status of the pole inspection project and the GIS mapping project.

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

Sikeston Power Station

Don Miller presented the report from the Sikeston Power Station for October, 2017. There were two planned derates for the month.

Miller reported the plant is running very well. They currently are running around 237 MW around the clock. Staff is working on the 2019 budgets and preparing for the 2018 outage. Miller reviewed systems to be addressed during the outage.

 Miller reviewed the coal stockpile estimates and daily coal usage. Both trains are still running. We plan to run both trains to build up the stockpile to around 180,000 tons. Miller reported on the current power pricing.

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

Chairman Menz asked Mayor Burch if the City Council would be in favor of a joint meeting to discuss utility rates. Mayor Burch said yes and suggested a February meeting.

General Manager’s Report

Steel Mill – Landers briefed Board on details to date.

Magnitude 7 – Has reached an agreement with AECI and will begin operation in January.

DNR Meeting – Landers reported on the recent meeting in Jefferson City with representatives of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Also in attendance were reps from Waters Engineering and Geosyntec.

Unilever Wastewater Issue – Landers reported on the recently concluded study by Burns & McDonnell regarding the wastewater discharge from the Unilever plant in the Industrial Park. A meeting will be held soon to discuss the study.

Broadband – The project is ongoing. Currently working on a fiber audit.

Executive Session

The Chairman cited a need to enter Executive Session. Bob Smith made a motion to enter Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Tim Merideth and the following roll call vote was held, Merideth, Smith, Menz “Yes”. The Board entered Executive Session. No business was transacted. Tim Merideth made a motion to adjourn Executive Session. Bob Smith seconded. Roll call vote, all yes.

Adjournment

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

Secretary