

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
OF THE
CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI
HELD ON THE TWELFTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2019

On the twelfth day of February, 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, Alan Keenan

Absent: Bob Smith

Also Present: Steven Burch, Mayor; Lorenzo Ware, City Code Enforcement; Joe Blanton, Board Attorney; Rick Landers, Utility Manager; Marcia Witt, Jeff Winders, Mark McGill, 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 Alan Keenan. A roll call vote was held as follows, Merideth, Keenan, Menz, "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 January 08, 2019. A motion was made by Tim Merideth and seconded by Alan Keenan. A roll call vote was held as follows. Menz, Merideth, Keenan "Yes". The minutes were approved as presented.

The Chairman asked for a motion to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of January 18, 2019. A motion was made by Tim Merideth and seconded by Alan Keenan. A roll call vote was held as follows. Menz, Merideth, Keenan, "Yes". The minutes were approved as presented.

Financial

Finance Manager Marcia Witt presented the Financial Report for December 2018. The electric retail department had net income of \$392,796. Electric Wholesale had net income of \$982,109. The Water Department had a net loss of \$10,626. The Sewer Department had a net loss of \$15,263. The sewer lagoon had a net income of \$2,230. Witt commented on year to date kwh sales.

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

Retail Operations

Operations Manager Jeff Winders presented the retail operations report.

Electrical crews have been working outage calls and performing maintenance. Winders reported on an outage on January 18 that affected the Murray Lane Feeder. He reported on a second outage on February 5. This was a planned outage in the Lee Hunter Elementary / Wendell Apartments area. Power was out for approximately fifteen minutes while repairs were made.

Winders reported maximum water usage for the month at 3.272 MGD. He also updated the Board on the status of various DNR issues and permits.

Winders reported Water and Sewer crews have been doing system maintenance. He reported on a planned water outage on February 5 in the 800 block of Matthews Ave.

Winders updated the Board on the Pole Inspection and GIS Mapping projects and other ongoing projects.

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

Sikeston Power Station

Mark McGill presented the report from the Sikeston Power Station for December, 2018.

McGill reported one unplanned derate for the month. He reported the plant has been offline since Sunday, February 10. Plans are to restart the evening of February 12. The net capacity factor for December was 100.00% for the month. Crews are preparing for the Spring outage. McGill reviewed some of the projects to be done during the outage and estimated cost.

McGill updated the Board on the progress of the SWPA Substation berm project. Finding suitable material for the project has been a problem.

McGill reviewed the coal stockpile estimates and daily coal usage. He also noted the upcoming retirement of J.D. Turner from the Instrumentation Department.

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

“Yes”. The Report for the Sikeston Power Station was approved.

North Wastewater Treatment Plant Bids

General Manager Rick Landers gave some preliminary comments on the project and addressed the option to rebuild the plant’s blowers instead of replacing them. Jeff Winders outlined the scope of the project and the four bids received. He reviewed the bids and presented the Staff recommendation to award the project to Clark & Sons Excavating of Cape Girardeau, MO.

A motion was made by Alan Keenan to award the project to Clark & Sons. The motion was seconded by Tim Merideth and the following roll call vote was held, Merideth, Menz, Keenan, “Yes”. The motion was approved.

Winders also asked the Board’s approval to discuss the blower options with representatives from Unilever and include that option in the project.

A motion was made by Alan Keenan to allow BMU Staff to discuss and include the blower project options discussed with Unilever. The motion was seconded by Tim Merideth and the following roll call vote was held, Merideth, Menz, Keenan, “Yes”. The motion was approved.

AMI Update

Rick Landers reviewed progress to date on the Automated Metering Infrastructure (AMI) project. We have narrowed the bids down to the top three and are meeting with those bidders to address final questions. He reviewed anticipated benefits to the customers and to BMU. He described a rough outline of the timetable. We should be ready to present a recommendation to the Board at the April, 2019 Board Meeting.

General Manager’s Report

WiFi Project – Parks and Recreation Complex should be the next phase of the project.

Ameren Highway 61 Annexation – Lorenzo Ware of City of Sikeston gave an update.

Spot sales update.

BMU Staff participated in a recent meeting of the Historic North End residents group.

Staff members attended the City Council meeting recently where there was a discussion regarding certain BMU policies.

Mayor Burch asked Landers for an update on the status of painting the Center Street water tank. Landers, Board and Mayor Burch discussed the future of that tank, how it fits in our future water system plans and the painting options.

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 Alan Keenan and the following roll

call vote was held, Merideth, Menz, Keenan, "Yes". The motion was approved.

Adjournment

There being no further business Alan Keenan 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

Asst Alan Keenan
Secretary