

Utility Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

August 14, 2018

Approved

Call to Order @ 5:00 pm by Roger Campfield, Utility Commission President

Roll Call: Campfield, Eno, Lange, Mendum, Lindemann (joined late) Others: Brown, Kuester, Lind, Skowronski, Stanek, Brian Kehrli, Rob Uphoff

Lange/Mendum motion to approve minutes from 07/10/2018. All ayes. Carried.

Public Comment: None

Water Department Report

Report—Lind presented his report. Samples have been good. There have been a few issues with Academy Street Project to include the Gerke crew tearing out the reservoir drain. We now have just one curb stop per home on Academy, previously some homes had two. Freddy Fireman is now located in the park. Lind handed out bids on a mixer for review only. Bids do not include wiring. Lind favors Grid B. Discussion on standpipe/mixer.

Weger Road: Discussion/Presentation by Rob Uphoff of MSA on 10-inch main repair on Weger Rd by Gerke. Repair would require the restraint of three joints. Mendum/Lange motion to approve repairs as proposed. All ayes. Carried.

Hwy 71 Water Main: Discussion/Presentation by Rob Uphoff and Brain Kehrli of MSA of the options for completion. Discussion of options included conventional or directional drilling. It was also discussed that the type of pipe will be changed based on drilling options. Motion by Eno/Lange to move forward with 2nd option of Directional Drilling. Roll Call. All Ayes. Carried

Mendum/ Lange Motion to approve Gerke pay schedule 2 in the amount of 177,053.59. Roll Call. All Ayes. Carried.

Electric Superintendent Report

Report—Kuester presented his report. Department has worked to replace J Boxes in front of MGE. Unjacketed underground replaced. All meters for CenturyLink working well. Update on Peaker. Peaker has been working 12-hour days in order to get everything running correctly. A blackout will be necessary for 2-3 hours to finalize the project and fix the recloser. Tentative blackout date of October 13th, 2018. Urge Test will take place August 16th from 9:30am-11:00am.

Interconnection Agreement: Agreement was reviewed by Richard Heinemann and City Attorney Rebecca Richards-Bria. Motion to approve Interconnect Agreement for Solar. Lange/Eno. All Ayes. Carried.

Discussion on Dairyland Substation for cost of purchasing substation. Parking Lot 50,000.00 for a total of 80,000.00 to 90,000.00. Need more information.

Discussion of Financing Plan by Ehlers for electric financing. Discussion of borrowing capacity for City of Elroy. Motion by Eno/Mendum to approve and recommend to City Council borrowing of 373,500.00 from Royal Bank on 10 year note for 3.75%. Roll Call. All Ayes. Carried

Wastewater Department Report:

Report— Saemisch absent. Report included in packet.

Discussion on Aerator.

Check Valves: Motion by Mendum/Eno to approve check valves from USEMCO

Administrator Report:

Report— Discussion of Utility Coordination Plan on Poles and Hydrants. MSA will Compile and Submit. Discussion of Public Benefits Refunds and PSC Rate Change for Water. Next month's meeting will have preliminary numbers for budget. Wastewater ordered truck will be ordering accessories. Discussion of MEU Safety Program.

Bills:

Mendum/Eno motion to approve bills as presented. Roll Call. All ayes. Carried.

Commission Communication: Discussion of Dollar General

Eno/Lange motion to adjourn at 6:15 pm. All ayes. Carried.

Geena Skowronski
Utility Clerk