

Utility Commission Special Meeting Minutes

06.29.2021

Approved

Call to Order: 5:05 PM by Mendum

Roll Call: Campfield, Lange, Mendum, Stanek Absent: Lindemann Other: Kuester, Skowronski, Brown, Sparling, Tim Brunner

Stanek/Lindemann Approval of Minutes. All Ayes.

Public Comment: None

Discussion on Brunner Electric Metering Services. Brunner is asking the utility to change over from primary electric metering to metering each location separately in order to facilitate having separate power bills. This would require the City of Elroy Utility to take ownership of the current equipment/assets.

Dave Krause presented information on the cost per building/service if they are separately owned companies. Service cost will go back to secondary rates. Quick calculations show each service will go up about approximately 15%. The customer will lose a 2% discount for primary metering. Customer would not be able to use generator from one building to service multiple buildings.

Facility would need to be survey mapped and put into distribution maps. City of Elroy would need diagrams of the assets.

Krause questioned value of assets. Brunner would not charge the City of Elroy for those assets. Utility would be responsible for maintenance going forward. Current rate structure is built to take 25-30 years to build up funds for replacement. Replacement fund balance is slightly underfunded as we did not have those 25-30 years to make up for replacement costs. No equipment that is atypical for utility.

Krause asked Brunner if there would be future business changes that could affect the utility projections such as load increase. Brunner stated that there would not be a distinct change in the load.

Brunner said he would also be interested in shadow metering our primary meter. In order to do an internal metering. He thought this may be a secondary option.

Krause and Utility Commission suggest that if Brunner is interested in moving forward that Brunner contact the utility to request individual service. The utility would then do a cost estimate of each project.

Brunner would like to know if he is able to use a shadow metering system.

Further discussion on City of Elroy's responsibility.

Commission Communication:

Campfield/Lange motion to adjourn. All Ayes.

Geena Skowronski
Utility Clerk