

Utility Commission Regular Meeting Minutes

08/13/19

Approved

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

Roll Call: Campfield, Lange, Mendum, Eno, Lindemann Others: Brown, Kuester, Lind, Skowronski

Discussion on Time of Day Billing. This process would need to go through the Public Service Commission.

Eno/Mendum Motion to approve minutes from July 9, 2019 and July 18, 2019. All ayes. Carried.

Public Comment: None

Water/Wastewater Department Report:

Report—Lind presented report. All good in water testing last month. Scheduled to have Raz meter installed. LW Allen will work on DO for oxidation ditch in near future as well. Working on Grit System, main shaft may be seized up. Krane Engineering will be here to look at that. Pete Wohlschlaeger started on Monday. Water meters need to be changed out. We are going to mail a notice out. Customers will be able to schedule an appointment. We are shooting for 10 percent a year.

Lindemann/ Lange Motion to approve proposed yearly contract from Wolter Group to service generators in amount of 2,456.88

Discussion on contract with Hydrocorp for backflow inspection in the amount of 10,000.00. Discussion on looking into other companies for the contract. Tabled until we have further information from other companies to compare costs.

Discussion on PFAS. Rural Water has recommended at this time that the City does not do anything in regards to PFAS at this time. Do not recommend sampling at this time.

Electric Superintendent Report:

Report—Kuester presented report. Conversion of Brooklyn Circuit went very well. 44 transformers on N. Brooklyn and took 3 hours to convert. 18 transformers on S Brooklyn took 2 hours to convert. At this time the next steps for converting to 7200 will have to be assessed to decide which circuit would be upgraded next.

Work on breakers in substation completed. Breakers were tripping and needed to be fixed. We did have to reschedule and notice all the customers. Energist came and pulled all the breakers and tested. All breakers are in working order.

Discussion on August 13 outage during generation. Outage was caused by fuse. Once fuse was replaced the signal opened up and dropped the town. It should not have been an issue. Peaker will be back to go through all the new equipment to make sure that all is running smooth. We need the new equipment and old equipment to talk to each other. We will have another Saturday where people are out of power to address the issues we are having with the equipment not talking to each other properly.

Shawn Kuester went to assist on storm trouble in Wisconsin Rapids. City will be reimbursed for his time there.

Discussion on Solar. Solar is not connected as this time. Solar project still has work to be completed per Dave Krause.

Administrators Report:

Report—Brown presented report. Waiting for final pay application for Academy Street Project. Working with FEMA on city damages. Worked with Wisconsin Emergency Management to make sure that our cost submitted is matching what FEMA has listed or submitted. Have to keep a close eye on what FEMA submits compared to what we have submitted to FEMA. Pole relocation bids have not been posted yet. Draft Budgets will be worked on and hopefully available at September meeting. Hillsboro Century wrote article on power outage.

Bills:

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

Commission Communication: Question regarding trees cut down near Lorraine Miller's. Trees were city owned trees.
Eno/Mendum motion to adjourn at 5:55PM. All Ayes. Carried.

Geena Skowronski
Utility Clerk