

MARSHALL MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

**75 East Morgan
Marshall, MO 65340**

February 15, 2024

The Board of Public Works convened in a regular session in the MMU Service Center Conference Room at 8:30 a.m. Board members present were Spencer Fricke, President; Ken Bryant, Secretary; and Steve Mills, Member. Chuck Hines, Vice President, was absent.

The agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Mr. Mills, with a vote of 2-0. The February 1st meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Bryant, with a vote of 2-0.

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Travis Boss requested approval to replace some exterior doors and frames at the Water Treatment Plant. Mr. Bryant made a motion to request bids to supply and install doors, frames, and all necessary hardware. Mr. Mills seconded the motion and it was approved by a vote of 2-0.

Superintendent Boss also requested approval for the annual well treatment and maintenance. Mr. Mills made a motion to request proposals to treat five wells and pull two well pumps for inspection and repair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bryant and approved by a vote of 2-0.

Superintendent Boss then added that the lime sludge contractor started hauling the lime sludge yesterday.

Electric Distribution Director Doug Root requested approval to have the Southeast Substation T1 transformer inspected and reconditioned. Mr. Mills made a motion to request proposals for the Southeast Substation T1 re-gasket and maintenance. Mr. Bryant seconded the motion and it was approved by a vote of 2-0.

Director Root then requested approval to continue the single-phase overhead to underground conversion. Mr. Bryant made a motion to convert overhead single-phase lines in walkway easements to underground for the fiscal year 2023/2024. Mr. Mills seconded the motion and it was approved by a vote of 2-0.

Director Root added the proposals for the Miami 1 Substation Rebuild-Switchgear were opened yesterday. He and the engineer are reviewing them and will present a recommendation at a later date.

Reporting for Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Eric Perkins, Lab Technician/Operator Kyle O'Bryan stated there will be a meeting with Burns & McDonnell, Aerzen, and Rockwell on February 29th to find a solution for the blower 1 problem. Crews have adjusted the top belt on the west press, cleaned the centers on the final clarifiers, worked on the high-temperature issues from mixers 115 and 124, and they have hauled sludge to local farmland.

IT & Broadband Director Jim Widel reported he met with Kramer Group; they are moving equipment in, have called locates in, and expect to begin soon.

Electric Production Director Jarad Muller reported on Unit #6; Ethos has completed the rotor and diaphragm inspection; there are no signs of major damage and they are working on a new bleed line. The Power Plant crew is working on the new upper half of the exhaust plenum, once completed they will do patching on the bottom half. He is working with recycling marketers in hopes of increasing funds for recycled products being sold.

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Controller Tony Bersano stated that weekly training with Tyler on time-of-use billing had begun.

General Manager Jeff Bergstrom reported he and Controller Bersano have finalized the electric cost of service study and Toth will be arriving to do a presentation. He and Wastewater Treatment Superintendent Perkins are working on replacing the UV disinfection system. He will be presenting the MMU Annual Report to the City Council on February 20th. He met with Director Piper and Burns & McDonnell to review the sanitary sewer smoke study. It was done on two-thirds of the city and they found 568 defects; 368 on the public side and 202 on the private side.

Mr. Mills motioned to approve and issue warrants from the following funds for cash disbursements to accounts payable.

WATER OPERATING FUND	\$ 279,838.10
ELECTRIC OPERATING FUND	\$ 1,402,118.14
SEWER REVENUE FUND	\$ 225,713.18
INTERNET OPERATING FUND	\$ 122,659.66
NATURAL GAS OPERATING FUND	\$ 7,895.55
WATER SEGREGATED	\$ 584,546.40
Total	\$ 2,622,771.03

The motion was seconded by Mr. Bryant and approved with a vote of 2-0.

Toth & Associates arrived at 8:58 a.m. On a motion made by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Mr. Mills, the Board recessed at 9:00 a.m. to allow Toth & Associates a few minutes to set up their presentation.

The Board meeting reconvened at 9:05 a.m. Toth & Associates presented their review of electric rates.

The next Regular Board meeting will be on Thursday, February 29, 2024.

Following a motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Bryant, the Board adjourned the regular meeting at 9:59 a.m. The motion passed by a vote of 2-0.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

/s/ Ken Bryant, Secretary