

MARSHALL MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

**75 East Morgan
Marshall, MO 65340**

August 11, 2022

The Board of Public Works convened in regular session in the MMU Service Center Conference Room at 8:38 a.m. Board members present were Ken Bryant, President; Steve Mills, Vice President; and Spencer Fricke, Secretary. Chuck Hines, Member, was absent.

The agenda was approved on a motion made by Mr. Fricke, seconded by Mr. Mills, with a vote of 2-0. The minutes of the July 28th Board meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Fricke, with a vote of 2-0.

Human Resources Manager Megan Baldrige presented information on the four ancillary benefit proposals received. Of the four proposals received, the one from MetLife provided the best value; they agreed to customize their voluntary worksite products and will save MMU approximately \$5,500 over the current premium for dental, vision, life, and disability coverage. Mr. Mills made a motion to accept MetLife’s proposal for ancillary insurance and voluntary worksite products effective October 1, 2022. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fricke, and approved by a vote of 2-0.

Manager Baldrige congratulated IT & Broadband personnel for working one year with no recordable injuries.

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Travis Boss presented quotes received for replacing the utility task vehicle. After reviewing the bid from Ag-Power and removing options not needed, the bid is still over budget. The Board and MMU management discussed the department’s overall budget, need, supply chain issues and the current economy. Mr. Fricke made a motion to purchase from Ag-Power Inc. the 2023 John Deere Gator XUV835M HVAC in the amount of \$27,450 and snowblade for \$3,750, for a total amount of \$31,200. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mills, and approved by a vote of 2-0.

#18-22-WTP UTV August 2, 2022	Bid	Make & Model	Delivery Time
Crown Power & Equipment La Monte, MO 65337	no bid		
Sydensticker John Deere Rocheport, Missouri 65279	no bid		
Ag-Power Marshall, Missouri 65340	\$27,450 Base <u>\$ 3,750 snow blade</u> \$31,200	2023 John Deere Gator XUV835M HVAC & 2022 Boss 72” snow blade	approx. 10 wks

Superintendent Boss then reported on the filter media project. Contractors had an issue with their equipment but were able to apply the second layer of media yesterday afternoon and plan to add at least 1-2 more layers today.

IT & Broadband Director Jim Widel reported crews have blown in 9,000’ of fiber last week and 7,000’ this week in the two North 65 Highway areas, crews should start splicing. The new plow has arrived.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Nolan Townsend stated the mixer bridge has been set on the north side of the aeration basin, all bridges should be set by the end of next week, and the aeration basin control building has been set.

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Electric Distribution Assistant Director James Kearney reported crews are 90% complete on the installation of the oil containment system for the Southeast Substation new transformer and 15kV switchgear.

Electric Production Director Carl Crawford reported the unit #6 fogger building is almost complete. He said the official “Return to Compliance” letter was received from DNR from their February visit which found a few minor infractions.

Controller Tony Bersano presented a draft 2022-2023 budget for the Board and requested a work session to further discuss the draft budget with long lead times for equipment and project materials.

General Manager Jeff Bergstrom presented the need to eliminate the insurance reserve accounts, since a cash reserve policy was created for each department. He also requested to have all those funds transferred to their respective cash reserve account. Mr. Mills made a motion to eliminate the insurance reserve accounts for the Electric, Water and Wastewater departments and include those funds in the cash reserve accounts for each department. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fricke, and approved by a vote of 2-0.

General Manager Bergstrom then reported phase 2 for improvements to the North Street Pump Station should be completed with pricing by September 1st.

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

WATER OPERATING FUND	\$ 224,324.40
ELECTRIC OPERATING FUND	\$ 2,120,043.49
SEWER REVENUE FUND	\$ 222,557.66
INTERNET OPERATING FUND	\$ 88,655.28
NATURAL GAS OPERATING FUND	\$ 730.11
Total	\$ 2,656,310.94

The motion was seconded by Mr. Fricke and passed with a vote of 2-0.

The next Regular Board meeting will be Thursday, September 1st, 2022.

Following a motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Fricke, the Board adjourned the regular meeting at 9:31 a.m. The motion passed by a vote of 2-0.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
/s/ Spencer Fricke, Secretary