

MARSHALL MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

**75 East Morgan
Marshall, MO 65340**

September 15, 2022

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 Ken Bryant, President; Steve Mills, Vice president; Spencer Fricke, Secretary; and Chuck Hines, Member. Also present was Dewey Hendrix, Mayor.

The agenda was approved on a motion made by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Fricke, with a vote of 3-0. The minutes of the September 1st Board meeting were approved on a motion by Mr. Fricke, seconded by Mr. Hines, with a vote of 3-0.

Director Root requested approval to update the Electric System Study. The request was tabled at the last meeting because Mr. Mills was not present and to allow Director Root an opportunity to discuss the project and bids with him. Mr. Mills stated his disappointment in not selecting the firm that performed the initial study, but understood turnover was a factor and agreed with Director Root in choosing Toth & Associates. Mr. Fricke made a motion to approve Toth & Associates to update the 2017 Electric System Study for a not to exceed price of \$50,000. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mills, and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Director Root provided updates on other projects. Crews have completed the 13.2 kV bus installation for the Southeast Substation new transformer and switchgear project; everything for the 13.2 kV side has been ordered and he is waiting on an answer from the manufacturing engineers regarding the sudden pressure relay.

Underground Facilities Director Grant Piper presented bids for replacing the Sterling dump truck #219. The current truck is a 2000 model with 127,400 miles and 9,807 engine hours. Five bids for a cab and chassis were opened on August 24th, one of which did not meet specifications. Bids for the bed will be requested when the truck arrives and the old truck will be sold to help defray costs. Mr. Hines made a motion to accept the bid from Premier Truck Group of Kansas City, MO for a new Freightliner 114SD tandem axle cab and chassis, in the amount of \$115,302.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mills, and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Director Piper then presented bids for the 2022 Collection System Rehab using the cured-in-place-pipe (CIPP) method. Three bids were received and opened on August 25th. Director Piper reviewed each bid, contacted references, and recommended the low bid. Mr. Mills made a motion to accept the bid from Municipal Pipe Tool Co LLC to rehab approximately 4,600' of 8" and 18" sewer main using the CIPP method for a total cost of \$167,110. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fricke and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Director Piper added that the annual fire hydrant flushing has been scheduled for October 23rd through October 28th, to coincide with the annual free chlorine conversion. Crews will also be providing training to the Fire Department on the opening and closing of the fire hydrants.

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Travis Boss reported on the filter media project. Contractors will be returning next week to remove some media from the second filter that had been put in too deep not letting the surface wash arms move.

IT & Broadband Director Jim Widel presented the bids for conduit installation of USDA grant #2. Two bids were received. The low bid was from Coleman's Plumbing of Marshall, Mo. Mr. Hines made a motion to accept the low bid from Coleman's Plumbing in the amount of \$979,517.10, pending the completion of outstanding items. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mills, and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Director Widel then reported crews had blown in 1.25 miles of fiber on Tuesday and should have another 1.25

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miles done by the end of the week. They have almost completed splicing in the #1 area of Highway 65. They plan to start working on the south end of town soon.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Nolan Townsend reported from yesterday’s meeting with Burns & McDonnell about the aeration project: the MCC’s have been delayed and will ship in late October, and the #2 clarifier has had everything removed and cleaned and is being reconstructed; it should be completed in a few weeks and work will start on the next one. He reported on the status of the remodel/repair of the breakroom and bathroom from the June 2021 flood: the bathroom is complete and the breakroom cabinets are being built and should be completed within the next few weeks. He then updated the Board on the asphalt drive.

Electric Production Director Carl Crawford reported crews continue to work on the lighting upgrade for the building of units #10 and #11. Unit #6 has been called to run several times this month. He is working with Director Widel on the issues with unit #6 fogger controls.

Controller Tony Bersano reported that he is preparing for the auditor visit in November and is working out an issue with the billing of the deduct meters; the bills reflect the correct dollar amount, but not the correct reading.

General Manager Jeff Bergstrom presented the Final Public Notice for FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant Program. FEMA requires this to be posted to receive funding for the flood damage caused at Wastewater Treatment Plant in June 2021. This notice will also be posted on the gate of the plant entrance, the MMU website, and the front door of the Business office.

General Manager Bergstrom then stated the Interdepartmental Loan Policy is in draft form and has been given to Controller Bersano for review. He hopes to have phase-3 pricing for the North Street Pump Station with a proposed construction schedule by the end of the month. He received a request from DNR about our ARPA funding; we must submit a Facilities Plan by October 13th. Burns & McDonnell will be assisting with it. He fielded a request from a landowner at Marshall Junction to take waste from the lagoons at an old campground.

Mr. Hines requested to have the mission statement for each department completed.

General Manager Bergstrom then went over the MoPEP Stat Sheet and invoice.

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

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| WATER OPERATING FUND | \$ 348,847.54 |
| ELECTRIC OPERATING FUND | \$ 1,280,826.35 |
| SEWER REVENUE FUND | \$ 285,943.88 |
| INTERNET OPERATING FUND | \$ 89,384.99 |
| NATURAL GAS OPERATING FUND | \$ 2,843.84 |
| Total | \$ 2,007,846.60 |

The motion was seconded by Mr. Fricke and passed with a vote of 3-0.

The next Regular Board meeting will be Thursday, September 29th, 2022.

Following a motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Fricke, the Board adjourned the regular meeting at 9:42 a.m. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
/s/ Spencer Fricke, Secretary