

MARSHALL MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

75 East Morgan
Marshall, MO 65340

May 11, 2023

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 Steve Mills, President; Spencer Fricke, Vice President; Chuck Hines, Secretary, and Ken Bryant, Member.

The agenda was approved on a motion made by Mr. Hines, seconded by Mr. Fricke, with a vote of 3-0. The April 27th Board meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Mr. Fricke, with a vote of 3-0.

Underground Facilities Director Grant Piper requested approval to solicit bids for the 2023 collection system rehabilitation using the cured-in-place pipe (CIPP) method. He plans to rehab approximately 5,000' of 8" sewer main on Miami Avenue and the north and south sides of East Eastwood Street. Mr. Hines made a motion to request bids for sewer main rehab using the CIPP method. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fricke and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Director Piper reported the water main replacement on W. Clara Street is going well; the crew is almost complete with the pipe installation.

Electric Distribution Director Doug Root reported the overhead to underground conversion is going well; it should be completed in about 4 – 6 weeks. Pole inspections will start in July.

Electric Production Director Jarad Muller reported that Independent Electric has repaired the unit #8 breaker. It was installed on May 1st, is working well, and the unit has been put back in the market. He reported that when Marshall Garage Door was replacing springs and the opener on the garage door on the Recycle Center building, they noticed the bearings on the opener were bad so they replaced the opener as well.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Interim Chief Operator Eric Perkins reported he is working with Jim Widel on why the UV bulbs are continuously on. The Aerzen rep fixed the oil pressure issue with Blower #1. He also reported that the sludge removal process used by Rain For Rent was not working. After consulting with DNR, they advised having the remaining sludge pumped out and land applied. Midwest Injection, the second-lowest bidder, has been contracted to do that work.

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Travis Boss reported that delivery of the media for the filter media replacement will begin next week. The well maintenance will begin on Monday, May 15th.

IT & Broadband Director Jim Widel reported the crew is making progress in the King area and the contractor is working on Mt. Olive Road.

Controller Tony Bersano presented a six-month cash and investment summary, a summary of donated utilities to the City of Marshall broken out by department, and a survey from MPUA of what surrounding utilities do regarding Payment in Lieu of Taxes (PILOT) and free services in their cities.

Human Resources Manager Megan Baldrige provided information on the Department of Transportation's revised drug testing rules. She also reported on the virtual training she attended on the labor shortage.

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General Manager Jeff Bergstrom presented the Board with a safety award MMU received from the American Public Power Association (APPA). He mentioned MMU had also recently received a reliability award from APPA.

General Manager Bergstrom stated that Manager Baldrige had returned to work on drafting a succession plan. He is working with Superintendent Boss on options for lime waste disposal, revising the heat pump rebates, and reviewing the web page for needed updates. General Manager Bergstrom went over the MoPEP stat sheet and invoice with the Board.

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

WATER OPERATING FUND	\$ 217,758.38
ELECTRIC OPERATING FUND	\$ 1,277,179.13
SEWER REVENUE FUND	\$ 217,691.11
INTERNET OPERATING FUND	\$ 241,128.59
NATURAL GAS OPERATING FUND	\$ 344.62
Total	\$ 1,954,091.83

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

The next Regular Board meeting will be Thursday, June 1st, 2023.

Following a motion by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Mr. Hines, the Board adjourned the regular meeting at 9:07 a.m. to go into Executive Session to discuss matters under Mo Rev. Stat. 610.021 (Supp. 2009) legal, confidential, or privileged information [1], and personnel records or applications [13], the motion passed by a vote of 4-0.

Roll call: Ken Bryant yes
 Chuck Hines yes
 Spencer Fricke yes
 Steve Mills yes

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS
/s/Chuck Hines, Secretary