

**MARSHALL MUNICIPAL UTILITIES**

**75 East Morgan  
Marshall, MO 65340**

September 14, 2023

The Board of Public Works convened in a regular session in the MMU Service Center Conference Room at 8:37 a.m. Board members present were Chuck Hines, Secretary; and Ken Bryant, Member. Steve Mills, President; and Spencer Fricke, Vice President joined via phone.

The agenda was approved on a motion made by Mr. Hines, seconded by Mr. Mills, with a vote of 3-0. The August 31<sup>st</sup> Board meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Fricke, with a vote of 3-0.

Underground Facilities Director Grant Piper presented bids received for purchasing a new dump body and hoist for the unit replacing #219. Since the low bid from Viking Cives did not meet specifications, Director Piper recommended the next low bid from Knapheide.

#24-23-UF Factory dump bed, pump & hoist September 5, 2023	Bid	Make and Model	Delivery Time
Montgomery Sales Inc Montgomery City, MO 63361	\$39,480.00	New Bibeau	30-90 days after delivery of truck
Knapheide Truck Equipment Jefferson City, MO 65109	\$38,307.71	Heil	60 days after delivery of truck
Viking Cives Midwest Oran, MO 63771	\$36,518.54	Viking / Beaucroc	90 days after delivery of truck
American Equipment Co Kansas City, KS 66115	\$55,315.00	Crysteel / Select	14-16 weeks after delivery of truck
Kranz Truck Bodies St. Louis, MO 63104	\$39,200.00	Godwin G-Series	30 days after delivery of truck
Drake-Scruggs Equipment Springfield, IL 62708	\$54,428.00	Crysteel Select Body	2/1/2024
Mynatt Truck & Equipment Olathe, KS 66062	\$45,999.00	BeauRoc LTT	30-90 days after delivery of truck

Mr. Hines made a motion to accept the bid from Knapheide Truck Equipment for the purchase and installation of a new dump body and hoist for \$38,307.71. The motion was seconded by Mr. Fricke and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Electric Distribution Director Doug Root requested approval to replace bucket truck #305. The current unit is a 2010 Altec with 30,000 miles and 6,400 engine hours. It will be sold once a replacement is received. Mr. Hines made a motion to request bids for a new 55' bucket truck. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mills, and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Director Root reported on the overhead to underground conversion; all conduit has been installed, installation of the primary and secondary conductors is complete; the underground line has been energized and crews are working on connecting customer services. Director Root added that truck #302 has been received.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Eric Perkins reported the fault issue on blower #1 is a VFD issue, a new cable has been ordered for the repair. He added the second dump truck that was damaged in the June 2021 flood has been delivered.

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IT & Broadband Director Jim Widel reported crews have blown in 4 miles of fiber this week.

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Travis Boss reported the contractor for the filter influent valve replacement received the wrong gaskets which will delay their start date. The #2 primary basin flocculator contractor is scheduled to start on October 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Electric Production Director Jarad Muller has received and is reviewing an updated proposal from Ethos Energy. The second circulating pump for unit #11 has been received and crews will begin installing it today.

Human Resources Manager Megan Baldrige reported there are several interviews scheduled for the Water Treatment Plant Operator position.

Controller Tony Bersano is working on closing the books for August and is working on updating the 2023-2024 Cash Reserve Policy.

General Manager Jeff Bergstrom presented the annual funding agreement to assist the Marshall Saline Development Corporation (MSDC). The agreement states that MMU will pay MSDC \$30,000 annually, in quarterly payments, in exchange for their economic development efforts. The agreement renews automatically unless terminated. No action was taken, allowing the agreement and funding to continue through September 30, 2024.

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

WATER OPERATING FUND	\$ 205,838.06
ELECTRIC OPERATING FUND	\$ 1,277,278.57
SEWER REVENUE FUND	\$ 274,501.67
INTERNET OPERATING FUND	\$ 95,120.50
NATURAL GAS OPERATING FUND	\$ 1,144.72
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,853,883.52</b>

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

In other business, Mr. Mills requested looking into making the crosswalk on Morrow Street, behind the Burns Center, brighter by adding more light fixtures, or larger fixtures. Director Root stated he would investigate the matter and see what could be done.

The next Regular Board meeting will be Thursday, September 28<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

Following a motion by Mr. Hines, seconded by Mr. Mills, the Board adjourned the regular meeting at 9:02 a.m. by a vote of 3-0.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

/s/ Chuck Hines, Secretary