

**MARSHALL MUNICIPAL UTILITIES**

**75 East Morgan  
Marshall, MO 65340**

January 2, 2025

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

The agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Mr. Jacobi, with a vote of 3-0.

On a motion by Mr. Jacobi, seconded by Mr. Mills, the following Board of Public Works officers were elected by acclamation for 2025, following historical rotations.

- Chuck Hines, President
- Ken Bryant, Vice President
- Steve Mills, Secretary
- Wick Jacobi, Member

Mr. Hines assumed the Chair.

The December 11<sup>th</sup> meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Mr. Jacobi, with a vote of 3-0. Mr. Hines noted there were no injury or property damage incidents.

Underground Facilities Director Grant Piper discussed the RFQ responses from Great River Engineering and Burns & McDonnell for the Water Distribution Master Plan update. After reviewing their qualifications Director Piper recommended using Burns & McDonnell. Mr. Bryant made a motion approving Burns & McDonnell to provide engineering services to update the Water Distribution System Master Plan. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mills and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Director Piper then requested approval to continue improving the wastewater collection system by using cured-in-place-pipe. He would like to have 5,000 feet of 8-inch pipe rehabbed by outside contractors. Mr. Mills made a motion to request bids to rehab approximately 5,000' of sewer main using the CIPP method. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jacobi and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Electric Distribution Director Doug Root presented bids received for replacing the HVAC units at 211 and 213 N. Benton Avenue. Director Root explained that two contractors bid two options, with the second option from each company being a more efficient unit. After reviewing and comparing all bids, Director Root recommended the option #2 proposals from George's Heating & Cooling.

#03-25-ED/EP Benton Bldg. HVAC	Proposal	Start Time
Beerman Heating & Cooling Marshall, MO	211 N. Benton - \$15,455.00 213 N. Benton - \$7,975.00	30 days
Home Heating and Cooling Sedalia, MO	211 N. Benton - \$11,770.00 option 1 \$13,592.00 option 2 213 N. Benton - \$5,785.00 option 1 \$7,283.00 option 2	5 days
George's Heating & Cooling Marshall, MO	211 N. Benton - \$8,325.00 option 1 \$9,399.00 option 2 213 N. Benton - \$5,610.00 option 1 \$6,440.00 option 2	5 – 10 business days
H & S Heating & Cooling LLC Marshall, MO	211 N. Benton - \$19,995.00 213 N. Benton - \$13,396.60	1 week
McCorkle Heating & Air LLC Marshall, MO	211 N. Benton - \$16,090.65 213 N. Benton - \$9,455.28	within 90 days

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Mr. Mills made a motion to accept the option #2 proposals from George’s Heating & Cooling to replace the HVAC units for 211 and 213 N. Benton Avenue for a total cost of \$15,839. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bryant and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Director Root updated the Board that the Miami 1 substation transformer is out of service; the tap changer locked up and he is waiting on a call back from the vendor for assistance.

Electric Production Director Jarad Muller reported unit #6 is on schedule to be reassembled in mid-February. He added that bids for a new baler were opened December 31<sup>st</sup>; they are being reviewed and he will have a recommendation at the next meeting.

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Travis Boss reported the new spreader truck was delivered December 27<sup>th</sup>.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Eric Perkins reported Enviroline has assigned MMU a new service representative and is looking for a new guide pole. Ray Lindsey is on site today measuring for concrete.

IT & Broadband Director Jim Widel reported the conduit installation bids for the next round are due on January 14<sup>th</sup> and he should have a recommendation at the next meeting. Crews are blowing in fiber east of town.

Human Resources Manager Megan Baldrige congratulated Bruce Carter on being selected as Employee of the Year.

Controller Tony Bersano reported the auditor for the USDA Grant #1 will be on site January 27<sup>th</sup>.

General Manager Jeff Bergstrom requested approval to sign a contract for continued access to the outage reporting platform, Hometown Grid. Crews have been doing a trial run since November and it seems to be a great resource for the community reporting outages. Mr. Bryant made a motion to approve purchasing access to Hometown Grid outage management services. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mills and approved by a vote of 3-0.

General Manager Bergstrom added he participated in the second working group meeting with MPUA staff and other MoPEP members to discuss the Public Utility Regulatory Policy Act (PURPA) on December 16<sup>th</sup>. They will be recommending no changes to the current Net Metering/PURPA policies.

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

WATER OPERATING FUND	\$ 458,287.47
ELECTRIC OPERATING FUND	\$ 828,146.63
SEWER REVENUE FUND	\$ 142,031.31
INTERNET OPERATING FUND	\$ 78,759.15
NATURAL GAS OPERATING FUND	\$ 2,420.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,509,644.56</b>

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

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The next Regular Board meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at the Service Center Conference Room located at 1459 W. Arrow Street.

Following a motion by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Mr. Mills, the Board adjourned the regular meeting at 9:15 a.m. to go into an executive session, following a 5-minute break, to discuss matters under Mo Rev. Stat. 610.021 (Supp. 2009) concerning: legal, confidential or privileged information [1] and lease, purchase or sale of real estate [2]. The motion passed by a vote of 4-0.

Roll call vote: Ken Bryant   yes  
                  Steve Mills    yes  
                  Wick Jacobi   yes  
                  Chuck Hines   yes

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

/s/ Steve Mills \_\_\_\_\_, Secretary