

**MARSHALL MUNICIPAL UTILITIES**

**75 East Morgan  
Marshall, MO 65340**

January 17, 2025

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 Chuck Hines, President; Ken Bryant, Vice President; Steve Mills, Secretary; and Wick Jacobi, Member. Also in attendance was Mayor Vince Lutterbie.

The agenda was approved on a motion by Mr. Bryant, seconded by Mr. Mills, with a vote of 3-0. The January 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Bryant, with a vote of 3-0. Mr. Hines noted there were no recent injury or property damage incidents and noted the 2024 year-end totals.

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Travis Boss presented the proposal received for disposal of hydrofluorsilicic acid. The proposal received from Environmental Works Inc, Kansas City, KS for \$80,888.88, was more than double of what was budgeted. He recommended a motion to reject the proposal and request new ones. Mr. Jacobi made a motion to reject the proposal and request new proposals. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mills and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Superintendent Boss then requested approval to replace the fluorescent and incandescent lighting at the Water Treatment Plant with new LED lighting. Mr. Bryant made a motion to purchase all materials and use in-house labor for installation. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mills and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Electric Production Director Jarad Muller discussed the requirement to perform NESHAP RICE testing for units #7, #8, and #9. This testing is required by Missouri DNR and the EPA to be done every 3 years. Director Muller stated BHMGE Engineers has done this in the past and requested to have them perform the testing again. Mr. Mills made a motion to request BHMGE Engineers, Inc. to perform required NESHAP RICE testing on units #7, #8, and #9 at a cost of \$15,754. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bryant and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Director Muller then requested approval to renew the Part 70 Operating Permit. The permit, which expires on January 13, 2026, has to have a renewal application submitted 180 days prior to the expiration date. BHMGE provided a quote to prepare and submit the application for a lump sum cost estimate of \$7,500. Mr. Bryant made a motion to have BHMGE Engineers, Inc. conduct work for the Part 70 air permit renewal application at the cost of \$7,500. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jacobi and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Director Muller then provided bids received for purchasing a new Auto Tie Baler with the 60/40 grant received from Solid Waste District Region F. The two low bids did not meet specs.

<b>#05-25-EP Baler</b>	<b>Bid</b>		<b>Delivery</b>
DeHart Recycling Equipment Hazelwood, MO 63042	#1	\$307,295	16-20 weeks
	#2	\$297,532	16-20 weeks
Maren Engineering South Holland, IL 60473		\$265,715	20-22 weeks
Black River Trading LLC Lorain, OH 44052		\$299,738	18-22 weeks
WESSCO Portland, OR 97211		\$361,170	12-16 weeks
HWI Equipment, Inc Brentwood, MO 63144		\$245,300	22-24 weeks

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Mr. Mills made a motion to accept the bid from Black River Trading, LLC, Lorain, OH for a new auto-tie baler in the amount of \$299,738.00, and add the optional ethernet remote access for an additional \$2,070.00 for a total of \$301,808.00. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bryant and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Director Muller then reported on unit #6. He had a call with Ethos on January 15<sup>th</sup> and was provided pictures of the rotor. They are planning on shipping the unit back on February 10<sup>th</sup>.

IT & Broadband Director Jim Widel presented bids for the next set of conduit installation contracts. Director Widel discussed the low bidder for each contract.

#04-25-BBIT	Contract 2501	Contract 2502	Contract 2503	Contract 2504
PMRG Corp Springfield, MO 65803	\$770,042	\$537,384	\$640,897	\$529,839
CableSouth Construction LLC Milan, TN 38358	\$2,035,600	\$927,150	\$1,106,575	\$913,425
Kramer Service Group Weyerhaeuser, WI 54895	\$800,710	\$559,050	\$667,025	\$549,285
TNT Underground Construction Belle, MO 65013	\$444,400 + specialty bores for railroad/river: dirt \$8/ft; cobble \$22/ft; solid rock \$45/ft)	\$310,200	\$369,600	\$305,800
Christopher Coleman Marshall, MO 65340	\$464,600	\$310,200	\$378,000	\$319,700
R. Roesse Contracting Co Inc Kawkawlin, MI 48631	\$1,052,320	\$771,270	\$745,240	\$744,930
ADB Companies, LLC Pacific, MO 63069	\$4,060,855	\$1,847,505	\$1,848,370	\$1,432,720

Mr. Bryant made a motion to accept the bid from Coleman Plumbing, Marshall, MO for contract #2501 for \$464,600.00 and contract #2502 for \$310,200.00; and, accept the bid from TNT Underground Construction, Belle, MO for contract #2503 for \$369,600 and contract #2504 for \$305,800. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mills, Mr. Jacobi abstained, and the motion was approved by a vote of 2-0.

Director Widel then reported he is working on a capacity upgrade for Bluebird Network. The fiber blowing machine control box has been sent off for repairs. They are waiting on better weather to resume burying fiber.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Eric Perkins thanked the Underground Facilities crew for cutting the concrete for the UV disinfection project and reported that Ray Lindsey is scheduled to pour the new concrete next week.

Underground Facilities Director Grant Piper reported crews are operating control valves as weather permits.

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Director Root reported that Miami 1 tap changer has a broken drive assembly. A weld broke on one of the large sprockets. It has been taken for repairs and will hopefully be back next week.

Controller Tony Bersano reported the interest rates on the interdepartmental loans were updated. He is working on finalizing 1<sup>st</sup> quarter financials and will have them at the next meeting. The USDA Reconnect Field Auditor will be here the week of January 27<sup>th</sup> to audit Grant #1 for completion.

General Manager Jeff Bergstrom reported he has been working with the MPUA CEO search committee doing final interviews. A selection has been made and the group will make a recommendation at the January 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting.

At the January 15<sup>th</sup> quarterly MoPEP meeting they did approve a resolution for construction of the Marshall Energy Center. He is working with the City of Marshall on street closures and the final plat.

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

WATER OPERATING FUND	\$ 280,863.46
ELECTRIC OPERATING FUND	\$ 2,305,877.73
SEWER REVENUE FUND	\$ 174,167.10
INTERNET OPERATING FUND	\$ 364,354.45
NATURAL GAS OPERATING FUND	\$ 381.03
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,125,643.77</b>

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

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

Following a motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Bryant, the Board adjourned the regular meeting at 9:13 a.m.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

/s/Steve Mills, Secretary