

MARSHALL MUNICIPAL UTILITIES

**75 East Morgan
Marshall, MO 65340**

February 27, 2025

The Board of Public Works convened in a regular session in the MMU Service Center Conference Room at 8:32 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. Mills, with a vote of 3-0. The February 13th meeting minutes were approved on a motion by Mr. Mills, seconded by Mr. Jacobi, with a vote of 3-0. Mr. Hines noted no incidents for the period.

Underground Facilities Director Grant Piper presented bids received for the cured-in-place-pipe project.

#07-25-UF Sewer Main Rehab CIPP February 19, 2025	Total Cost of all Sections (and by section)	Price of testing five samples by an independent lab	Addition/deduction cost per foot for adjustments
Visu-Sewer of Missouri, LLC St. Louis, IL 62203	\$122,260.25	\$1,000	\$33.25
SAK Construction, LLC O'Fallon, MO 63366	\$134,210.50	\$1,750	\$36.50
Insituform Technologies USA, LLC Chesterfield, MO 63005	\$139,706.87	\$1,867.20	\$39.99

Mr.

Bryant made a motion to accept the bid from Visu-Sewer of \$122,260.75 to rehab approximately 5,000' of 8" sewer main. The motion was seconded by Mr. Jacobi and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Electric Distribution Director Doug Root requested approval to continue converting overhead single phase in walkway easements to underground. This year's focus will be in the areas of Fairlawn Avenue and Stonehaven Avenue. Mr. Jacobi made a motion to approve converting overhead single-phase lines in walkway easements to underground for fiscal year 2024/2025. The motion was seconded by Mr. Mills and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Director Root added the new tractor was delivered on February 24th. Miami 1 load tap changer has been repaired and was put back in service on February 26th. Mid America Testing was here this week for the annual truck and tool testing; they found one bucket liner failure and it has been replaced.

Water Treatment Plant Superintendent Travis Boss requested approval to do the annual well maintenance and treatment. This year he will have five wells treated and two pulled for inspection and repair. Mr. Mills made a motion to request proposals to treat five wells and pull two well pumps for inspection and repair. The motion was seconded by Mr. Bryant and approved by a vote of 3-0.

Electric Production Director Jarad Muller reported on unit #6; Ethos arrived on February 10th, they worked one week and during the second week discovered that Ethos had only ordered one of four auxiliary gearbox bearings, these have to be made and the three remaining bearings should arrive March 21st. Ethos left and will return when the bearings arrive.

Director Muller added that units #10 and #11 ran every day last week. Quarterly testing on units #7, #8, and #9 were done last week; all units performed well. Mr. Hines asked about the boiler repairs as mentioned in the Board Letter; Director Muller responded it was a temporary fix in order to make it through the remaining winter season, it is in the budget to be replaced.

IT & Broadband Director Jim Widel reported the internet speed increase created some bottleneck issues that he and staff are working on correcting. Crews have been blowing fiber in the Napton area.

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Wastewater Treatment Plant Superintendent Eric Perkins reported the gates for the UV project were installed yesterday, they will start the baffles for the channels next. All the equipment is on site except for the actuators, they will arrive mid-March.

Human Resources Manager Megan Baldrige stated the 20-year dinner is tentatively scheduled for May 6th; she is waiting on confirmation of venue and caterer. Manager Baldrige then went over the 2024 Annual Safety Incident Review. There was a slight increase in injuries but 2024 was the best year on record for prevention of property damage incidents and also saw a significant drop in incidents involving the operation of vehicles and/or mobile equipment.

Controller Tony Bersano reported he is reviewing the unit #6 invoices in preparation for the insurance claim. He has completed the February water main invoices for reimbursement from MoDNR.

Mr. Hines inquired about progress on the Master Plan update for water distribution. Director Piper responded he and General Manager Jeff Bergstrom have met with Burns & McDonnell to go over the scope of work, but they haven't met again to discuss the mains.

Mr. Bryant inquired about net metering. Controller Bersano indicated MMU is seeing more net metering customers and General Manager Bergstrom discussed ways the utilities can provide more information to customers who may be considering solar energy.

General Manager Bergstrom reported working on the "Marshall Energy Center." MEC has sent a PO to USDI for natural gas line work. He is providing information to MPUA staff for the interconnect agreement with SPP. The plat is complete and will be presented at the next Subdivision Advisory Board meeting.

General Manager Bergstrom and Director Root have a meeting with Toth & Associates today to review the Master Services Agreement for Electrical Engineer of Record. General Manager Bergstrom will be attending the MPUA member services and quarterly meetings to be held on March 5th and 6th.

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

WATER OPERATING FUND	\$ 130,617.67
ELECTRIC OPERATING FUND	\$ 1,314,044.44
SEWER REVENUE FUND	\$ 86,279.70
INTERNET OPERATING FUND	\$ 63,009.61
NATURAL GAS OPERATING FUND	\$ 819.51
Total	\$ 1,594,770.93

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

The next Regular Board meeting will be at 8:30 a.m. on Thursday, March 13th, 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 9:10 a.m. The motion passed by a vote of 3-0.

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

/s/ Steve Mills _____, Secretary