

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
OF THE
CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI
HELD ON THE THIRTEENTH DAY OF DECEMBER 2022**

On the thirteenth day of December 2022 the Board of Municipal Utilities met in Regular Session at 4:00 P.M. in the board room. The following members of the body were present:

Messrs: Jon Gilmore, Tim Merideth, Steven Burch, and Brian Menz

Absent:

Also Present: Brian Self, City Council Liaison; Rick Landers, Utility Manager; Marcia Witt, Jeff Winders, Mark McGill, Lora Foust, Ron Priday, and Erin Miller of the Utility Staff

There being a quorum present, the following business was transacted:

Action on Agenda

A motion was made by Brian Menz to accept the agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Tim Merideth and a roll call vote was held, all yes.

Action on Monthly Agenda Items

A motion was made by Tim Merideth to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on November 8th, the Special Meeting on November 10th, and the November 10th NERC minutes. The motion was seconded by Brian Menz. A roll call vote was held, all yes.

Financial Reports

Marcia Witt, Finance Manager, presented the October 2022 financial reports.

The Electric Retail division had net income of \$494,165. Revenues decreased from the prior year as a result of decreased kwh usage.

The Electric Wholesale division had net income of \$940,593. Revenues were lower this year due to decreased market and contract sales, while operations costs were lower due to decreased coal use. The original plant assets were fully depreciated in May 2022 resulting in less depreciation expense in the current year.

The Water division had net income of \$115,598. Revenues were higher due to a rate increase and slightly higher usage.

The Sewer division had net income of \$272,480. Revenues were higher due to a rate increase and more gallons billed. Miscellaneous net income included customer sewer surcharges. The Sewer NWWTP division had net income of \$24,500.

A motion to approve the report was made by Brian Menz and was seconded by Steven Burch. A roll call vote was held, all yes.

Retail Operations

Jeff Winders, Operations Manager, presented the retail operations report. During the month of November, crews focused on maintenance. Maximum daily water usage for the month was 4.118 MGD and average usage was 3.473 MGD.

WTP#4 is slowly approaching completion. The South WWTP air project is progressing well. The NWWTP project is also progressing. However, the liner is the next item to be addressed and it will take a few months for the weather to warm up enough to install it.

The wastewater dumping fee will be changed to \$0.35 per gallon effective January 1st.

Winders also provided status updates on several ongoing projects. A motion was made by Brian Menz to approve the Retail Operations Report. The motion was seconded by Steven Burch and a roll call vote was held, all yes.

Sikeston Power Station

Mark McGill, Plant Manager, presented the Sikeston Power Station report for October 2022. There was one planned derate for mill inspections and the net capacity factor was 72%.

As of December 7th there were 170,000 tons of coal on the stockpile, or 52 days of supply. There is still one BMU train in service but the pool train is also being utilized. SPS is currently operating at the high end of the coal conservation plan and will resume normal operations in December. The unit is running well and Supervisors are planning for the spring outage.

A motion was made by Tim Merideth to approve the SPS Report. The motion was seconded by Steven Burch and a roll call vote was held, all yes.

Wastewater Backyard Machine

Jeff Winders presented quotes for a backyard machine for the Wastewater division. The machine was budgeted in the current year at \$65,000 but the cost of the model that will best fit the needs of the department was quoted at \$78,826. The machine will allow crews to work on sewer lines within easements without disassembling customers' fences and requires a smaller crew for operation than other models.

A motion was made by Tim Merideth to purchase the requested backyard machine from Armor Equipment. The motion was seconded by Brian Menz and a roll call vote was held, all yes.

Rate Study Proposal

Marcia Witt presented a Services Agreement proposed by Utility Financial Solutions for an updated Electric Rate Study. The proposed study is a continuation of the previous studies and will focus on the rate class structure as well as time of use rates.

A motion was made by Brian Menz to approve the rate study proposal including the optional time of use rates. The motion was seconded by Tim Merideth and a roll call vote was held, all yes.

General Manager's Report

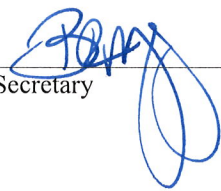
Rick Landers, General Manager, updated the Board on several ongoing items. Staff continues to meet with SWPA, SWPP, and Ameren regarding substation facilities. Staff is gathering data on future capital expenditures and will present some related resolutions at the next monthly Board meeting. Replacement AMI water nodes are being installed and about 70% of the water system is now communicating. The Bargaining Unit will meet on the 13th to vote on BMU's 3-year contract renewal proposal. Staff will meet with Refresco on the 14th regarding their wastewater pretreatment.

The average spot sales price for November was \$46.16 per Mwhr and the YTD average price is \$64.61 per Mwhr. The price was budgeted at \$28.00 for the fiscal year.

Steven Burch made a motion to approve the General Manager's report. The motion was seconded by Tim Merideth and a roll call vote was held, all yes.

Adjournment

A motion to adjourn to Executive Session was made by Tim Merideth and seconded by Steven Burch. A roll call vote was held, all yes. The Chairman declared the regular meeting adjourned.


Secretary