

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
OF THE
CITY OF SIKESTON, MISSOURI
HELD ON THE ELEVENTH DAY OF APRIL 2023**

On the eleventh day of April 2023 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; Jonathan Douglass, City Manager; Greg Turnbow, Mayor; Joe Blanton, BMU Counsel; Rick Landers, Utility Manager; Marcia Witt, Jeff Winders, Mark McGill, Lora Foust, Ron Priday, Erin Miller, and Tre Holley of the Utility Staff

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

Action on Agenda

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

Action on Monthly Agenda Items

A motion was made by Brian Menz to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on March 14th and the Special Meeting on March 16th. The motion was seconded by Steven Burch. A roll call vote was held, all yes.

Financial Reports

Marcia Witt, Finance Manager, presented the February 2023 financial reports.

The Electric Retail division had net income of \$926,554. Revenues decreased slightly from the prior year due to decreased kwh usage. There were no major or extraordinary expenses during the month.

The Electric Wholesale division had net income of \$416,850. Revenues were lower this year due to decreased sales, while operations costs were higher due to increased coal transportation costs. 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 \$5,580. Revenues were higher due to a rate increase and slightly higher usage. There were no major or extraordinary expenses during the month.

The Sewer division had net income of \$388,346. Revenues were higher due to a rate increase despite decreased usage. Miscellaneous net income included customer sewer surcharges. The Sewer NWWTP division had net income of \$36,978.

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

Retail Operations

Jeff Winders, Operations Manager, presented the retail operations report. During the month of March, line crews installed a large transformer and worked on bringing an older transformer up to current standards. The South Industrial Substation was energized in March and the first phase of the 69 kV relocation was completed.

Maximum daily water usage for the month was 7.105 MGD, average usage was 4.045 MGD. Crews successfully flushed the water system. WTP#4 was 98% complete. The South WWTP was back in compliance. Liners and equipment were being installed at the North WWTP. The Missouri Department of Health inspected the BMU water lab and recommended recertification.

Water and Sewer distribution crews ran a new two inch water line to Rotary Park, replaced two fire hydrants, and worked on the new outer road lift station.

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 Tim Merideth and a roll call vote was held, all yes.

Sikeston Power Station

Mark McGill, Plant Manager, presented the Sikeston Power Station report for February 2023. There were two derates and the net capacity factor was 84%.

As of April 11th, there were 185,000 tons of coal on the stockpile with both trains out of service until mid-April. The spring maintenance outage began on March 10th, and McGill updated the Board on the ongoing outage maintenance projects.

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

Retail Budgets

Ms. Witt presented the Electric Retail, Water, Sewer, and NWWTP Department 2024 Budgets for the Board's approval. The budgets included capital expenditures of \$9,107,750 for the Electric Retail Department, \$1,789,500 for the Water Department, and \$4,263,000 for the Sewer Department.

After review, a motion was made by Tim Merideth to approve the Budgets. The motion was seconded by Steven Burch and a roll call vote was held, all yes.

Yearly Net Metering Report

Lora Foust, Customer Service Manager, presented the annual net metering report. As of December 31, 2022, BMU had twelve active solar generator customers and received 30,919 kWh from those customers in 2022. The total estimated generating capacity of these customers was 654 KW.

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

Land Application Equipment Bid

Mr. Winders presented a bid tabulation for a tank and tractor to replace the current Terra Gator which was purchased in 2000. Staff recommended purchasing a Balzer tank from Sydenstricker Nobbe Partners and a Challenger tractor from Alliance Equipment for a total cost of \$373,000. If approved, Staff will seek lease financing from local banks to purchase the equipment.

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

SWPA Contract Discussion

Mr. Landers presented a draft resolution authorizing the General Manager, through August 31, 2023, to execute agreements related to power sales and interconnections with SWPA .

After some discussion, a motion was made by Brian Menz to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Steven Burch and a roll call vote was held, all yes.

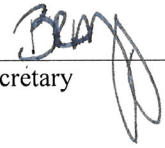
General Manager's Report

Mr. Landers reported that work on the Comstock substation is scheduled to begin May 1st. Contractors have successfully completed installation of the replacement AMI water nodes. The average spot sales price for March was \$23.97 per Mwhr and the YTD average price was \$53.55 per Mwhr. The price was budgeted at \$28.00 for the fiscal year.

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

Adjournment

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


Secretary