UTILITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
February 14, 2024

Present: Aaron Eltrich, Megan Andresen, and Abby Gehl
Absent: Jan Kahler and Robert Herring

Vice Chairperson Eltrich called the meeting to order at 4:34 pm

Motion by Andresen and seconded by Gehl to approve the agenda. All Ayes

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Discussion was held regarding holiday pay for Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve. Manager Krogman went over the details of a proposed change. MMEU is trying to match the City of Maquoketa's current holiday schedule by changing from a half day on each holiday (Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve) to a full day off. Board disused the details. Motion by Gehl and second by Andresen to approve the change for Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve to full day holiday starting in 2024 and going forward until the end of the current employment contract agreement term. All Ayes by Roll Call

Motion by Andresen and second by Gehl to approve the Resolution 2024-1, A Resolution Approving Payment of Franchise Fee to the City of Maquoketa. This is the last franchise fee based on the old system with the City (2% of revenue sales) and moving forwarded the new 5% Franchise Fee will be paid to the City on a monthly basis. Motion by Andresen and seconded to approve Resolution 2024-1, A Resolution Approving Payment of Franchise Fee to the City of Maquoketa All Ayes by Roll Call.

Discussion on Resolution 2024-2, A Resolution Approving Master Agreement Between the City of Maquoketa and the Maquoketa Municipal Electric Utility. Manager Krogman gave the board the details of the new agreement, as the old agreement had not been updated in a number of years. The agreement states how certain City Hall expenses are shared and split between the City and MMEU. Motion by Gehl and seconded by Andresen to approve Resolution 2024 -2. All Ayes by Roll Call

Motion by Gehl and seconded by Andresen to approve the claims as presented. All Ayes by Roll Call

Budget discussions were held

Manager Reports:
Matt Buck – Distribution crews still tree trimming. Probably will be done next month. One apprentice went to the 3rd step.
AJ Bowman– plant crews working on some welding jobs at Plant 1.
Leesa Budde – working with WPPI support staff trying to get the billing ready for the new franchise fee to be charged.

Chris – talked about his trip to Washington DC for the APPA Legislative Rally and meetings with Iowa Senators. Also mentioned the changes to the lots in the Meadow Park subdivision, and changes needed for the electrical infrastructure. MMEU is still waiting to hear about the grid reliability grant and if MMEU's project made it to the next step. Mr. Krogman stated the transmission line sale should happen soon.

Motion by Andresen and seconded by Gehl to adjourn the meeting at 5:03 p.m.

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Jan Kahler, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Megan Andresen, Secretary