UTILITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
October 15, 2025

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

Chairperson Kahler called the meeting to order at 4:36 p.m.

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

Motion by Herring and seconded by Gehl to approve the minutes from the August 20th, 2025 meeting. All Ayes.

Motion by Andresen and seconded by Herring to Open a Public Hearing on Proposed Plans and Specs and Form of Contract for Installation of Underground Conduit and Primary Cable for Industrial South Substation Resiliency Project. No one was present in audience for the public hearing and Manager Krogman noted he received no comments, oral or written regarding the public hearing prior. Motion by Andresen and seconded by Gehl to closed the Public Hearing on Proposed Plans and Specs and Form of Contract for Installation of Underground Conduit and Primary Cable for Industrial South Substation Resiliency Project.

Manager Krogman went over the bids received for the Contract for Installation of Underground Conduit and Primary Cable for Industrial South Substation Resiliency Project. 5 total bids were received with 4 being complete and 1 incomplete since some materials in the specs were not quoted. The range of the completed bids were $415,000 to $469,000. The lowest bid was from Price Industrial Electric, Inc. out of Robins, IA with a bid amount $415,782.60. MMEU's engineering firm on the project has reviewed the bid and found it be a sound bid in relation to the bid spec criteria. Motion by Herring and second by Gehl to approve Resolution 2025-5 – A Resolution Making the Award of a Contract for Installation of Underground Conduit and Primary Cable for Industrial South Substation Resiliency Project. All Ayes by Roll Call.

Review of the proposed Budget for Calendar Year 2026 took place. Manager Krogman some of the bigger changes in each department for 2026 compared to 2025. The proposed budget has total operating including budget transfers to designated funds at a $114,545 surplus for 2026, but that does not include expenditures/purchases out the designated funds, for a total net loss of $241,155.20. Most of the designated fund expenditures deal with the IS Substation Resiliency Grant Project.

Discussion was held on the future of the public EV Charger located in the parking lot behind the Main St. businesses. Manager Krogman explained the original 5 year software and warranty is expiring on the EV charger that was funded by a grant from the State of Iowa/Volkswagen settlement. The cost to renew warranty and software for 3 years is $3,780. The Jackson County Energy District has agreed to help sponsor the continuation of the EV Charger by pledging ½ of the $3,780.

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

Budget discussions were held.

Manager's Reports
Matt Buck, Distribution Superintendent -Absent
AJ Bowman, Plant Superintendent – Power Plant crews have been busy with winterizing projects around the plants.
Leesa Budde, Office Manager – stated the Public Power Week celebration sponsored by MMEU at the Maquoketa Farmer's Market on Oct. 7th went well.
Chris Krogman, General Manager – Noted he, along with Leesa Budde, Jan Kahler, and Megan Andresen attended the WPPI Annual Meeting in Green Bay, WI, last month. He felt the speakers and information present were beneficial and that Jan Kahler received the Community Service Award for his service on the MMEU Board and other community Participation.

Motion by Herring and seconded by Andresen to enter into close session, at 5:20 pm, pursuant to Iowa Code Sections 21.5(1)(a), 388.9(1) and 21.5(1)(k), to review or discuss records which are required or authorized by state or federal law to be kept confidential; to discuss proprietary information and information required by a noncustomer contracting party to be kept confidential pursuant to a nondisclosure agreement which relates to electric transmission planning and construction and critical energy infrastructure; and to discuss information contained in records in the custody of a governmental body that are confidential records pursuant to section 22.7, subsection 50. All Ayes by Roll Call.

Motion by Herring and seconded by Gehl to enter back into open session meeting at 5:26 p.m.

Motion by Herring and seconded by Andresen to approve Resolution 2025-6 - A Resolution approving Application and Agreement for Membership in the Iowa Public Power Agency.

All Ayes by Roll Call

Motion by Herring and seconded by Gehl to approve Resolution 2025-7 - A Resolution Approving Joint Development Agreement and Payment of Initial Payment Required Therein.
All Ayes by Roll Call.

Motion by Andresen and all ayes to adjourn meeting at 5:27 p.m

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Jan Kahler, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Megan Andresen, Secretary