UTILITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
April 16, 2025

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

Chairperson Kahler called the meeting to order at 4:32 p.m.

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

Motion by Eltrich and seconded by Gehl to approve the minutes. All Ayes

Nick Bava from SIKICH, LLP presented to the board the results of the financial audit of 2024. This was first year MMEU used SIKICH for the audit. Mr. Bava went over the audit of the financial statements and the testing procedures that were done, including certain statues that the state of Iowa requires to be done. Mr. Bava stated no material deficiencies or misstatements were found in the course of the audit. Mr. Bava went over few of the recommendations that have been made by SIKICH.

Discussion was held on the possible purchase of a small truck for the utility. Manager Krogman has been looking into the options to purchase a smaller vehicle that could be used for travel, training and meetings. Attendance to meetings and training, that are put on by WPPI, which have increased in the last few years. Currently when an employee attends training/meeting, they are encouraged to take a company vehicle, and one of Distribution's or the Power Plant's pickup's trucks is borrowed, thus leaving that department without a vehicle during that time. Manager Krogman compared the options and prices of a small pickup truck vs a SUV, and found several vehicles at area dealerships that could work for MMEU. Discussion was held on the several options. Motion by Eltrich and seconded by Gehl to purchase the 2025 Ford Maverick (price of $33,356) from Brad Deery Ford. All Ayes by Roll Call.

Claims were presented. Brief discussions were held on the claim for annual property & causality insurance, noting that MMEU is on their own policy instead of sharing a policy with the City, and on a claim Milbanks (distribution equipment). Motion by Eltrich 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 – Crews are hoping to finish up tree trimming this week and start on construction projects.
AJ Bowman, Plant Superintendent – Crews are continuing to work at Plant 2
Leesa Budde, Office Manager – noted the end of the winter moratorium.

Chris Krogman, General Manager – informed the board that MMEU is sponsoring a spring clean up of electric equipment through discounted tags through the City for curbside pickup, and also having a trailer at City Hall for 2 weeks for residents to bring certain electric items for recycling. Also noted MMEU received FEMA funds from the May 2024 storm damage, WPPI personnel will present to the board next month at the May 2025 meeting, and MMEU's newest journeymen will start next week.

Motion by Eltrich and seconded by Megan to adjourn the meeting at 5:06p.m.

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Jan Kahler, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Megan Andresen, Secretary