



Utility Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, July 24, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Columbus City Hall – 105 N. Dickason Boulevard

Call to Order

Sandy Curtis called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.

Roll Call

The following members were present: Joe Hammer, Reagan Rule, Brook Andler, Sandy Curtis and Jack Sanderson. Molly Finkler and Michael Thom were excused from attending the meeting.

Notice of Open Meeting

Noted as posted.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Hammer, seconded by Sanderson to approve the agenda. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Consent Agenda

Motion by Rule, seconded by Andler, to approve the consent agenda, which included the minutes of June 19 and July 15, 2025, the Utility Department's Cash Disbursements Report and Accounts Payable Report, and the Outage Report. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

1. Approval of June 19, 2025 Utility Commission Meeting Minutes and July 15, 2025 Utility Commission Meeting Minutes.
2. Approve Utility Departments Cash Disbursements Report and Accounts Payable Report.
3. Outage Report.

New Business

4. Consider and take action on septage rate increases for haulers.

Motion made by Hammer, seconded by Curtis to approve the septage rates effective August 1, 2025 and to proceed with monthly billing. Motion was carried on a 5-0 roll call vote.

5. Update on capital improvement projects and borrowing

No action was taken.

6. Discussion on short-term and long-term goals of the Utility.

The commission discussed short-term and long-term goals and directed staff to solicit internal candidates for an Interim Director, hold interviews if needed, and bring candidates forward to the August meeting. Also requested a job description and recruitment plan for the Director position to be on the August agenda.

7. Award of quote to Hady Electric, Inc. for \$10,872.41 for installation of new MCC bucket in existing switch gear.

Motion made by Sanderson, seconded by Hammer, to award the quote to Hady Electric for \$10,872.41. Motion was carried on a 5-0 roll call vote.

Reports

It was shared that the WPPI Annual Meeting will be held in Green Bay on September 16-18, and the MEUW District Dinner will be in Hartford on September 23rd.

8. July 2025 Utilities Department Report
9. July 2025 Live Lines

Adjourn

Motion made by Hammer, seconded by Rule to adjourn at 6:58 pm. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

*A quorum of city committees and/or commissions may be present at this meeting. No action will be taken or considered by those committees and/or commissions.

Please note that these minutes are subject to approval at a future meeting.