



Utility Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, September 18, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Columbus City Hall – 105 N. Dickason Boulevard

Call to Order

Michael Thom called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call

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

Notice of Open Meeting

Noted as posted, due to a gas leak, the meeting was moved to the Utility Office and notification was posted at City Hall regarding the change in location.

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Finkler, seconded by Curtis to approve the agenda. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Consent Agenda

Motion made by Finkler, seconded by Hammer. Motion carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

1. Approval of August 21, 2025 Utility Commission minutes.
2. Approve Utility Departments Cash Disbursements Report and Accounts Payable Report.
3. Outage Report.

New Business

4. Presentation of 2024 Columbus Utilities Audit.

Jodi Dobson of Baker Tilly provided an overview of the 2024 audit.

Motion made by Finkler, seconded by Hammer to accept the audit and thank Jodi for her work and report. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

5. Consider and take action to direct staff to upgrade computers, SCADA software, HACH WIMS server plus Job Cal, licensing and services provided by Ruekert and Mielke.
6. Discussion of the 10-year capital improvement program.

The plan was presented and will come back once Ehlers has completed the financial analysis.

Reports

7. September 2025 Utilities Department Report
8. September 2025 Live Lines

Adjourn

Motion made by Finkler, seconded by Hammer, to adjourn the meeting 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.