

# UTILITIES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

# **City of New Prague**

Monday, February 24, 2025 at 3:30 PM

Power Plant - 300 East Main St

# 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Commission President Dan Bishop on Monday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025, at 3:31 pm.

Commissioners Present: Dan Bishop, Paul Busch, Tom Ewert, and Chuck Nickolay

Commissioners Absent: Bruce Wolf

Staff Present: GM Reimers, Finance Director Robin Pikal and EOS Ken Zweber

# 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Commissioner Ewert, seconded by Commissioner Busch, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried (4-0)

# 3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. January 27, 2025 Utilities Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Commissioner Nickolay, seconded by Commissioner Ewert, to approve the January minutes as presented.

Motion carried (4-0)

# 4. UTILITY AND SMMPA BILLS

**a.** Approval of accounts payable in the amount of \$207,063.24 and the SMMPA billing of \$508,086.73. Motion made by Commissioner Ewert, seconded by Commissioner Bishop, to approve the accounts payable as presented.

Motion carried (4-0)

# 5. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. Investment Report
- **b.** Financial Report
- c. Water and Kilowatt Hours Sales

Motion made by Commissioner Ewert, seconded by Commissioner Nickolay, to approve the financial reports as presented.

Motion carried (4-0)

#### 6. COMMERCIAL & INDUSTRIAL ELECTRIC SERVICE AGREEMENT

# a. Agreement

GM Reimers went over some wording changes to the Commercial and industrial electric service agreement to clarify the wording regarding the labor charges for the installation of new services. Motion made by Commissioner Bishop, seconded by Commissioner Busch, to approve the changes to the agreement as presented.

Motion carried (4-0)

# 7. SMMPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

# **a.** January 8, 2025

GM Reimers informed the Commission on the following SMMPA board agenda items:

- -General operating reserves and future rate implications
- -Options for future rate stabilization accounts to offset rate fluctuations through 2030

#### 8. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

GM Reimers informed the Commission on the following:

- -Contracts have been signed for generation equipment at the West Side Energy Station
- -Meetings have been held with DGR on the layout and timing schedule for the West Side Energy Station.
- -Working with DGR to submit air permits to the state of Minnesota.
- -Testing, which is performed every 5 years, has been completed on all of the substation and power plant distribution breaker and relay's

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# 10. ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Commissioner Nickolay, seconded by Commissioner Busch, to adjourn the	meeting at
4:12p.m.	

Motion carried (4-0)

Respectfully Submitted,			
Bruce Reimers General Manager	_		