

BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

Regular Board Meeting

Tuesday, June 20, 2023

Time: 4:00p.m.

Present:	John Ortwerth	President
	William Fisher	Vice President
	Bill Dees	Secretary
	Robert Koehn via phone	Board Member
	Darrin Gordon	General Manager
	Courtney Harris	Administrative Support Specialist
	Mathew Munzlinger	Director of Operations
	Paul Trenhaile	Finance Director
	Matthew Jones	Senior IT Specialist
	Erica Mitchell	Coordinator of Customer & Community Relations
	Mike Dobson	City Councilman
	Andrew Patterson	Lemon Law Firm
	Maria Kuhns	Economic Development
	John Lyng	Hannibal Citizen

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:00p.m. by John Ortwerth.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The invocation was given by John Ortwerth.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A) Minutes – May 15, 2023
- B) Payrolls – May 19, 2023 & June 2 & 16, 2023
- C) Claims – May 2023

On motion of William Dees, seconded by William Fisher, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

John Lyng, Hannibal citizen, commented he understood there would be a presentation from Mr. Gordon regarding the HBPW accounts for open market electric power and Prairie State electric power. Mr. Lyng noted he is attending the meeting to hear about the information Mr. Gordon will be sharing.

GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

Mr. Gordon reported the HBPW has a reserve fund that serves several functions. Mr. Gordon presented information regarding the four main points of having a reserve fund including emergency response, market volatility, bonding & borrowing, and capital projects. Mr. Gordon noted a reserve fund is a necessary asset for the HBPW, and allows the utility to provide safe, reliable utilities with excellent customer service at a reasonable cost. Mr. Gordon noted the reserve fund is governed by a written policy that was approved by the Board of Directors.

Mr. Gordon presented a PowerPoint regarding the structure of the electric grid, capacity cost and transmission cost. Mr. Gordon explained peaks, the cost of LMP (Locational Marginal Pricing), and transmission with the MISO Market (a governing body that controls the transmission). Mr. Gordon noted with all of the information presented the prices change daily and it is impossible to provide two numbers that accurately represent the question that was asked during the May board meeting. Mr. Gordon voiced he will always be transparent and help inform anyone that would like to view or understand requested information. The presentation can be viewed at <https://www.youtube.com/@hbpw>.

Mr. Gordon reported the Stormwater Action Committee will be meeting on Thursday, June 22nd at 6:00pm. They will be discussing funding mechanisms for the Stormwater utility. Mr. Gordon noted he has been educating the committee and has recently spoken with Patricia Garrey to possibly mediate the upcoming meeting(s).

OPERATIONS REPORT

Matt Munzlinger reported the overall availability rate for the past 12 months decreased slightly to 99.991%, a decrease of 0.002. Mr. Munzlinger noted the Electric crew does implement squirrel guards to help prevent this interaction in high incident areas.

Mr. Munzlinger reported there was a large outage in the month of June regarding Indian mounds substation with 2900 citizens out of power. The equipment is old and out of date, and the crew is always doing the best they can to keep things up and going.

Mr. Munzlinger reported the GAC exchange at the Water Treatment Plant occurred on June 6th.

Mr. Munzlinger reported FIDO Leak Detection survey began work on May 15th and the Water crew continued their focus on locating, and making sure valves were accessible. The FIDO group worked most of their time overnight during their time in Hannibal to pinpoint anomalies. Mr. Munzlinger noted the Water crew visited 2,000 valves in the month of May.

Mr. Munzlinger reported the clarifier is still down at the Wastewater Treatment Plant. The parts have been ordered and should arrive the last week of June to be installed the week after July 4th.

Mr. Munzlinger reported during the month of May the river dropped below 18' so the gate wells were opened, and the pumps were shut off. Mr. Munzlinger noted paperwork will be completed with the Corp. of Engineers regarding the pumps and the crews will be completing preventative maintenance activities as well.

PROJECTS REPORT

Mathew Munzlinger presented the Board with an updated progress report including projects from the Electric, Water System, Water Treatment Plant, Sewer System, Wastewater Treatment Plant and Stormwater. Mr. Munzlinger noted the progress of these projects and studies are acceptable and will continue as the weather permits.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Paul Trenhaile presented the Board with the financial results for the month of May 2023, year-to-date results, and key financial ratios. Mr. Trenhaile presented the Dashboard presentation to the Board as a review of Key Performance Indicators trailing the last six months.

CITY ATTORNEY – PENDING MATTERS

NONE

GENERAL DISCUSSION

NONE

CLOSED SESSION

William Dees made a motion to convene in closed session, in accordance with Section 610.021(12) of the Missouri Sunshine Law, to convene in closed session to discuss Contracts admitting William Fisher, Bill Dees, John Ortwerth, Robert Koehn via phone, Darrin Gordon, Paul Trenhaile, Courtney Harris, & Andrew Patterson. Motion seconded by William Fisher. ROLL CALL: AYES: Board Members, John Ortwerth, William Fisher, William Dees & Robert Koehn. NAYS: 0.

ADJOURNMENT

William Fisher made a motion to adjourn. Motion seconded by William Dees and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 5:28p.m.



Darrin Gordon
General Manager



William Dees
Secretary