

**UTILITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

Present: Jan Kahler, Aaron Eltrich, Andrea Jones, Megan Andresen, and Todd Seifert (via telephone)

Chairperson Kahler called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

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

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

Tom Westhoff from WPPI Energy presented to the board information on the Electric Vehicle Charging Station Rebate Program that WPPI offers. Using the program, WPPI would reimburse the utility 50% of the rebate the utility gives to a customer for installing an electric vehicle charging station, up to a certain dollar amount, depending on a residential or commercial customer. Mr. Westhoff outlined some of the key aspects of the program using another WPPI member, City of Independence, as an example, from their program currently in place. Motion by Andresen and seconded by Seifert to have Tom Westhoff designed a similar rebate Electric Vehicle Charging Station Rebate Program for MMEU and start offering it to consumers. All Ayes by Roll Call

Motion by Eltrich and seconded by Seifert to approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement Between Maquoketa Municipal Electric Utility and IBEW Local 145. All Ayes by Roll Call.

Discussion was held on offering a contribution in aid of construction for the Maquoketa Middle School and their Chiller Project. Manager Krogman outlined a proposed plan that would give the Middle School an upfront partial credit on the total cost of the new electric service; the calculation of the upfront credit comes from the estimate net revenue received over 3 years. The plan also has built in, that if the school's usage is more than estimated, MMEU would refund the school, over a five year period, but total amount refunded would not exceed the total original cost of the electric service.

Manager Krogman stated that each project that is presented to the utility is different, so this exact plan could not be used for every type of project present in the future, but would like to use it as template for future projects and contribution in aid. The board agreed with this contribution in aid plan for the school, and state that Manager Krogman has the authority to make such plans with any future projects. Motion by Seifert and seconded by Andresen to approve the Contribution in Aid of Construction to the Maquoketa Middle School and their Chiller Project. All Ayes by Roll Call.

Discussion was held on offering recycle program as part of the Maquoketa Spring Clean-up day. The City of Maquoketa and the Maquoketa Chamber is sponsoring a spring clean-up day for 5-

11-2019. MMEU was exploring options to be involved. It was discussed that maybe something like this is too outside the scope of the utility. Manager Krogman stated there are WPPI community funds (WPPI directly reimburses MMUE) to be use for the year, with a \$1,500 limit. Motion by Eltrich and seconded by Andresen to pledge up to a limit of \$1,500 to the City to offset the expense of any E-waste disposal. All Ayes by Roll Call.

Motion by Seifert and seconded by Eltrich to approve the claims as presented.  
All Ayes by Roll Call.

Manager's Reports – Danny Clark – the 4 apprentices will be attending crane training for required certification.  
Chris Krogman – MMEU successfully tested sending a few bills out electrically/via email and will be starting to offer a paperless billing option to our customers.

Board Members' Reports – Jan Kahler asked how the rate study and the possibility of changing rates were coming. Manager Krogman stated a group of commercial customers are still being reviewed and adjusting rate classes accordingly. Manager Krogman is foresing a flat net revenue change in rates, but adjustments to mostly commercial customers with placing them in the correct rate class.

Motion by Seifert and seconded by Jones to adjourn the meeting at 5:20 p.m.

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Jan Kahler, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Todd Seifert, Secretary