

**UTILITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
January 19, 2022**

Present: Jan Kahler, Aaron Eltrich, Megan Andresen, Abby Gehl, and Robert Herring

Chairperson Kahler called the meeting to order at 4:34 p.m.

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

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

The first item of business was Election of Officers.

Moved by Eltrich and seconded by Andresen to elect Jan Kahler as Chairperson.

All ayes by roll call vote

Moved by Kahler and seconded by Gehl to elect Aaron Eltrich as Vice-Chairperson.

All ayes by roll call vote

Moved by Eltrich and seconded by Gehl to elect Megan Andresen as Secretary.

All ayes by roll call vote

Resolution No. 2022-1 – A Resolution Approving Payment of Franchise Fee to the City of Maquoketa. Manager Krogman explain this is MMEU’s annual payment to the City based on 2% of electric sales collected, and the amount for this year is \$146,699.98. Motion by Eltrich and seconded by Andresen to approve Resolution No. 2022-1 – Resolution Approving Payment of Franchise Fee to the City of Maquoketa.

Discussion on updating and approving equipment rates. Manager Krogman explained that MMEU’s current list of equipment rates, was last updated in 2009. These are the rates MMEU uses to charge for use of equipment on billable projects, insurance claims and/or for mutual aid.

Manager Krogman researched what other utilities are using for like equipment and also looked how FEMA handles rates, and presented updates to MMEU’s rates to make them more current. Motion by Gehl and seconded by Eltrich to approve the equipment rates adjusted as presented.

All ayes by roll call vote.

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

Budget discussions were held. The year ending numbers for 2021 where 8.9 million in revenue and expenditures where just under 8.9 million.

#### Manager's Reports

Matt Buck, Distribution Superintendent, stated the linemen have started tree trimming in certain sections in town.

Chris Krogman, General Manager stated the office position is open for applications until the 28<sup>th</sup> of January. The goal is to have someone hired so they are with Julie at least one month before she retires. Mr. Krogman also reminded the board the upcoming bills in March will be more delayed to change the bill dates moving forward.

#### Board Member Reports.

Megan Andresen stated she received a scam phone call about her bill not being paid and a threat of disconnection if not paid immediately over the phone. She wanted to let the public be aware such scam calls are out there.

Motion by Andresen and Gehl seconded by to adjourn the meeting at 4:54 p.m.

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Jan Kahler, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Megan Andresen, Secretary