

**UTILITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
November 13, 2019**

Present: Aaron Eltrich, Todd Seifert, Megan Andresen, and Andrea Jones
Absent: Jan Kahler

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

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

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

Discussion on Platt Street Reconstruction Project was held. Manager Krogman informed the board that more information was obtained on the details of the project, including information that the City does have the right to have utilities be moved out of the right-of-way. The City has sent a letter to MMEU, with the intent to have the utilities be underground. MMEU has met with our engineer to discuss and came up with some rough numbers if all power lines were put underground. For the East end of the project the rough estimate for materials is \$250,000; for the West end of the project, the rough estimate for materials is \$100,000; cost for engineering is \$50,000. These estimates do not include labor, if any work needed to be contracted out - if contract labor was needed, the estimates could be doubled. With other costs such as private easements and attorney fees that could be needed, the total project for MMEU could be \$1 million. Manager Krogman stated he is looking to attend one of the next City council meetings, either November 18th or December 2nd, to discuss with council the underground situation.

Manager Krogman stated the published rate changes recently had a minor error. The Large General Service (LGS 50) rate was published as 0.87 per kWh and it should have been 0.087 per kWh. Motion by Seifert and seconded by Andresen to approve correction for incorrect rate publishing.
All Ayes by Roll Call

Vice Chairperson Eltrich announced that this was the time for the public hearing regarding the budget for MMEU for Calendar Year 2020.

Moved by Seifert and seconded by Andresen to open the public hearing.
All Ayes by Roll Call

There were no comments from the audience and there were no oral or written comments received about the 2020 budget.

Moved by Andresen and seconded by Jones to close the public hearing regarding the budget for MMEU for Calendar Year 2020.
All Ayes

Moved by Andersen and seconded by Eltrich to approve Resolution No. 2019-3 titled "A Resolution Adopting the Budget for Calendar Year Ending December 31, 2020".

All Ayes by Roll Call

Motion by Seifert and seconded by Jones to approve the claims as presented. Andresen abstained from voting on the claims due to a conflict of interest on claim #1043. All Ayes by others by Roll Call

Manager's Reports –Chris Krogman stated Tom Westhoff from WPPI and himself have been meeting with individual customers regarding the rate change impact they will be seeing with the recent rate changes. So far, the meetings have gone well. Chris Krogman stated with the last two electrical utility conferences he has attended, a common topic has been on electric cars/vehicles.

Motion by Seifert and seconded by Jones to adjourn the meeting at 4:57 p.m.

Vice Chairperson, Aaron Eltrich

ATTEST:

Todd Seifert, Board Secretary