

OCONTO FALLS MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
WATER & LIGHT ● SEWAGE DISPOSAL ● CABLE TELEVISION
MINUTES OF MONDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2021

CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Oconto Falls Municipal Utilities Commissions was called to order in Council Chambers of the Oconto Falls Municipal Building, 500 North Chestnut Avenue, Oconto Falls, Wisconsin, by President Kardoskee at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Schindel, Patenaude, Anastasopoulos, Coopman, and Kardoskee, present.

Also Present: Utility Manager Greg Kuhn, Customer Service Representatives Beth Rank, Mayor Brad Rice, and Michelle Tester.

MINUTES:

President Kardoskee asked for any additions or corrections to the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, October 18, 2021 and the Special Meeting of Monday, November 2, 2021. Hearing none, President Kardoskee declared the minutes of the Regular Meeting of Monday, October 18, 2021 and the Special Meeting of Monday, November 2, 2021 of the Oconto Falls Water & Light Commission accepted as presented.

TREASURER'S REPORT: September 2021

The Treasurer's Report for the months of September 2021 as prepared by Deputy Treasurer Eve Wallace were placed on file for future audit.

BILLS: It was moved by Anastasopoulos, seconded by Patenaude, that an order be drawn authorizing payment of payroll vouchers 103608-103624, accounts payable vouchers 025856-025879, and wire transfers 001462-001466. Roll call: Anastasopoulos, Patenaude, Coopman, Schindel, and Kardoskee, voting aye. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS AND OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE COMMISSIONS - None

CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION - None

MANAGEMENT REPORTS:

Manager's Report – Kuhn informed the Commission that there was an issue along Main Street where a business backed up twice in a few weeks. It was found that there are three buildings that have their sewer going into one 6" lateral which then flows into a 4" lateral. The Utility will need to look into this issue. Kuhn let the Commission know that the well rehab is at a standstill due to the supply chain issue.

OLD BUSINESS

Review and Approve 2022 Utility Budget – The budget was reviewed. It was moved by Schindel, seconded by Patenaude, to approve the 2022 Utility Budget as presented and to send it onto council. Roll call: Schindel, Patenaude, Anastasopoulos, Coopman, and Kardoskee, voting aye. Motion carried.

Substation Proposals – Substation proposals were reviewed from EPS Engineering and Design and Forster Electrical Engineering. Kuhn recommended the Commission approve Forster Electrical Engineering with starting the substation build with one transformer with the option to add a second transformer at a later date into the project. Motion by Anastasopoulos, seconded by Schindel, to contract with Forster Electrical Engineering for the substation project engineering. Roll call: Anastasopoulos, Schindel, Patenaude, Coopman, and Kardoskee, voting aye. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

2022 Water Simplified Rate Case – Discussion was had on increasing water rates by 3% in 2022. Motion by Coopman, seconded by Anastasopoulos, to approve a simplified water rate case of 3% to go into effect on February 1, 2022. Roll call: Coopman, Anastasopoulos, Schindel, Patenaude, and Kardoskee, voting aye. Motion carried.

There being no other business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beth Rank, Customer Service Representative