

**MINUTES OF THE  
MANITOWOC PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION MEETING  
MONDAY, MAY 23, 2022**

The scheduled meeting of the Manitowoc Public Utilities Commission was called to order by Vice President Seidl at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, May 23, 2022. In attendance were Commissioners Diedrich, Hornung, Nickels, and Sitkiewitz. Also present were Steve Bacalzo, Don Duenkel, Andy Onesti, Cindy Carter, and Carissa Grimm – MPU; Troy Adams – General Manager; and Attorney Andrew Steimle – Steimle Birschbach, LLC. Commissioners Allie and Luckow were excused.

**MEUW SAFETY AWARD:** The MEUW recognized MPU with its “Safety Award” at the MEUW 92<sup>nd</sup> Annual Conference in Madison. MPU was one of 36 utilities to earn the recognition and one of 27 to receive the ‘Gold’ tier, the highest level. The award program is designed to promote strong safety culture by recognizing safety performance and proactive safety activities. MPU previously received this recognition in 2021. Distribution Operations Manager Steve Bacalzo provided a brief background of the award and thanked Commission for their support. Commission thanked Mr. Bacalzo and the MPU employees for their commitment and dedication to safety at MPU.

Steve Bacalzo left the meeting at 4:03 p.m.

**AWARDS/RECOGNITION/ACHIEVEMENTS:** T. Adams recognized with the commission an employee for her service on the MEUW Board. Commission thanked the employee for her commitment and dedication to MPU.

**CONVENE MEETING TO CLOSED SESSION:** Notice had been previously given that Manitowoc Public Utilities Commission will adjourn into a closed session during the May 23, 2022 meeting pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) to discuss approval of the minutes of the May 9, 2022 Closed Session Meeting (Regarding MPU Steam Generation Contract with GLU, Manitowoc Refuel Renewable Project, and Water Rate Case and CBCWA Rates Discussion, and Negotiation of Public Property), Manitowoc Refuel Renewable Project, MPU Steam Generation Contract with GLU, and Water Rate Case and CBCWA Rates Discussion.

**MOTION:** A Motion to convene in closed session was made by Commissioner Diedrich and seconded by Commissioner Sitkiewitz. Motion carried unanimously. Accordingly, the Commission convened in closed session at 4:06 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened to open session at 4:20 p.m.

**APPROVAL OF ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION:** None

**EXTRAORDINARY CONTRIBUTION REQUEST – LINCOLN PARK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY:** The Lincoln Park Zoological Society inquired about a request for a large donation to become the Major Sponsor of Lights in Lincoln Park. The consensus at the last meeting was to discuss the funding request further with LPZS. T. Adams met with Bill Fricke and Douglas Koch to discuss alternative options to funding amounts and agree an acceptable sponsor fee of \$5,000 from MPU. This will grant MPU the opportunity to host the lighting collection event and along with other benefits.

**MOTION:** A Motion was made by Commissioner Nickels and seconded by Commissioner Sitkiewitz to approve the \$5,000 sponsor fee for the Lights in Lincoln Park. Motion carried unanimously.

**GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:** T. Adams updated Commission on the following: A brief discussion was held on the decision of a local manufacturer to terminate the NLMP.

**GLU UPDATE:** T. Adams updated Commission on the following: Final committee members selected to develop options and potentially the RFP to provide alternative options for the GLU management services. The status of the committee created to develop next steps for both affiliate membership and committee/project rules for the power supply pool. The Lakeswind Project wholesale rates were approved at \$20/MWh credit rather than the \$8/MWh charge at the last meeting.

**MINUTES:** The Minutes from the Regular Session Meeting on May 9, 2022 were presented for approval.

**APPROVAL OF CLAIMS:** Claims List dated May 24, 2022; Amended Wires dated May 4, 2022; and Wire Transfers dated through May 18, 2022 were presented for approval.

**APPROVAL OF WWTF CLAIMS:** Claims List dated May 13, 2022; and Claims List dated May 20, 2022 were presented for approval.

**FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR APRIL 2022:** The financial reports for April 2022 were previously distributed to the Commission for review and discussion.

**STRATEGIC AREAS OF FOCUS BENCHMARKS:** The current strategic plan has an identified objective to use data analytics to improve operations and management of utility facilities. The MPU Commission approved the final version of benchmarks in 2020 and requested an annual update.

**GLU FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY REQUIREMENTS FOR MPU:** In accordance with the Great Lakes Utilities Financial Risk Management Policy audited financial statements are required as documentation of the Member's ability to produce sufficient revenues to support its commitments to GLU and an Affidavit attesting to member's maintenance of adequate levels of cash at all times during the previous year to meet the Operating Reserve Requirement under the Long-Term Power Supply Contract.

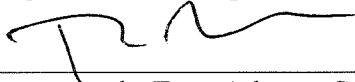
**MOTION:** A Motion was made by Commissioner Nickels and seconded by Commissioner Sitkiewitz to approve the Regular Session Minutes from May 9, 2022; the Claims List dated May 24, 2022 check nos. 97841 through 97968 totaling \$1,671,991.63; Amended Wire Transfers dated through May 4, 2022 totaling \$1,020,436.44; Wire Transfers dated through May 18, 2022 totaling \$1,185,891.99; Claims List for WWTF batch 712.05.2022 dated May 13, 2022 totaling \$69,897.35; Claims List for WWTF batch 713.05.2022 dated May 20, 2022 totaling \$39,047.21; to place on file the Financial Reports for April 2022, the Strategic Areas of Focus Benchmarks, and Generation Operations Report; and to authorize President Dave Luckow to execute the Affidavit as required by the GLU Financial Risk Management Policy. Motion carried unanimously.

**QUOTATIONS/BIDS:** Excavation for South 7<sup>th</sup> Street Asbestos Abatement - \$76,742.50 – Vinton Construction.

**MOTION:** A Motion was made by Commissioner Sitkiewitz and seconded by Commissioner Nickels to approve the Excavation for South 7<sup>th</sup> Street Asbestos Abatement. Motion carried unanimously.

**NEXT MEETING:** Monday, June 27, 2022 at 4:00 p.m.

**ADJOURN:** A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Hornung. Meeting adjourned at 4:31 p.m.



Approved: Troy Adams, General Manager



Approved: Dan Hornung, Secretary