

**MARSHFIELD UTILITIES, A MUNICIPAL UTILITY  
MARSHFIELD UTILITY COMMISSION  
November 12, 2012**

**COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES**

A regular meeting of the Marshfield Utility Commission was called to order by President Wayne Johnson at 4:00 pm on November 12, 2012 in the downstairs meeting room of the utility office. Present were Commissioners Harry Nienaber, Wayne Johnson, Patrick Ott, Mike Eberl, and Aaron Pitzenberger. Also present were Alderperson Robert Workinger and the Utility staff. Absent were Alderperson Russ Stauber and attorney John Adam Kruse.

- A service award was presented to former Commissioner John Schneider.
- A 25-year service award was presented to Don Rogers.

**UC/12-89** Motion by Eberl, seconded by Pitzenberger, to dispense with reading the minutes of the previous meetings and accept them as submitted. All ayes, motion carried.

**UC/12-90** Motion by Nienaber, seconded by Eberl, to approve payroll for October in the amount of \$212,645.92 and general bills for October in the amount of \$3,013,834.18. All ayes, motion carried.

**UC/12-91** Motion by Ott, seconded by Nienaber, to approve the following job order(s):  
JO #5653 Replace fire hydrant East 8<sup>th</sup> & Hemlock \$5,470.72  
All ayes, motion carried.

**September 2012 Financial Statement Notes**

**Electric Utility**

- Net income was \$202 thousand for the month, with a net income of \$1.297 million year-to-date.
- Net operating income was \$342 thousand for the month, compared to budgeted net operating income of \$317 thousand. Year-to-date net operating income was \$2.499 million, compared to budgeted net operating income of \$2.403 million.
- After adjusting for the PCAC timing, net operating income for the month was \$276 thousand.
- September consumption was down 5.14% from September 2011, with year-to-date consumption down 0.13%. All classes of customers are showing a decrease in consumption, with the exception of Large and Industrial customers. Year-to-date energy losses were 1.20%, compared to prior year losses of 0.68%.

**Water Utility**

- Net income was \$108 thousand for September and \$623 thousand year-to-date.
- Net operating income was \$130 thousand for the month, compared to budgeted net operating income of \$86 thousand. Year-to-date net operating income was \$821 thousand, compared to budgeted net operating income of \$482 thousand.
- Overall September consumption was up 0.72% from September 2011. Year-to-date overall consumption was up 1.58% from the prior year, with Public Authority customers showing the largest increase in consumption. Year-to-date water losses were 6.72%, compared to prior year losses of 4.87%.

**Communication Utility**

- Net income was \$11,832 for the month, compared to budgeted net income of \$9,865. Year-to-date net income was \$100,709, compared to budget net income of \$83,790.

**UC/12-92** Motion by Eberl, seconded by Pitzenberger, to receive and place on file department reports. All ayes, motion carried.

- The Assistant Utility Manager reviewed noteworthy projects including: line crew out east helping with storm repairs, “insert-a-valve” water project, water tower property
- The Office Manager reviewed the 2013 Operations and Maintenance Budget and also reviewed the 2013 Capital Budget.

- Nick Kumm gave a presentation on Advanced Metering Infrastructure. Next month a Job Order will be presented to the Commission for their approval.
- The Utility Manager and Assistant Utility Manager reviewed the Organization Chart.

**UC/12-93** Motion by Ott, seconded by Nienaber, to go into closed session per Wisconsin State Statutes 19.85(1)(c) considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility for the purpose of discussing Electric, Communications, and Gas Manager.

Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Closed session at 5:34 p.m.

**UC/12-94** Motion by Ott, seconded by Nienaber, to go into open session. Roll call vote, all ayes, motion carried. Open session at 5:36 p.m.

**UC/12-95** Motion by Ott, seconded by Eberl, to approve Nick Kumm as the Electric, Communications, and Gas Manager at the annual salary of \$92,000 effective 11/12/2012. Ott, Eberl, Johnson, and Nienaber voted aye, Pitzenberger voted nay, motion carried.

**UC/12-96** Motion by Ott, seconded by Pitzenberger, to adjourn. All ayes, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

  
Patrick Ott, Secretary