

REGULAR MEETING OF THE JEFFERSON UTILITIES COMMISSION, HELD APRIL 11, 2022

On call of the roll, commissioners present were: Adams, Brandel, Bristol, Ganser, Oppermann, Pieters and Neils. Also present were: Utility Manager Adler, City Attorney Rogers, Office Manager Hinze and Bruce Beth, Forster Engineering. The meeting began at 5:30 p.m.

Members Excused: None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Commissioner Bristol talked with a concerned citizen regarding the new LED lights on Milwaukee and Main Streets. He voiced a concern that there is a dark area on the corner of Milwaukee and Main and asked the Commission to review this corner. Adler indicated he would look into a brighter globe option

MINUTES

It was moved by Comm. Brandel and seconded by Comm. Bristol to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2022, meeting. Motion carried on a voice vote.

It was moved by Comm. Pieters and seconded by Comm. Neils to approve the minutes of the February 14, 2022, meeting. Motion carried on a voice vote.

It was moved by Comm. Bristol and seconded by Comm. Ganser to approve the minutes of the March 14, 2022, meeting. Motion carried on a voice vote. Comm. Oppermann abstained.

EXPENDITURES

It was moved by Comm. Pieters and seconded by Comm. Neils to approve the payment of March 2022 bills. On call of the roll, motion carried. (Neils – Aye, Brandel – Aye, Adams – Aye, Ganser – Aye, Bristol – Aye, Pieters – Aye, Opperman - Aye)

DISCUSSION & POSSIBLE ACTION – APPROVAL OF UNIT PRICING BID

Adler introduced Bruce Beth from Forster Engineering to the Commission. Beth explained to the Commission that his firm have completed the public competitive BID pricing for a multi-year overhead and underground electric installation unit price contract. Beth indicated that the lowest BID came in from J&R Underground and Quantra MJ Electric for overhead. Beth indicated that the contract does not obligate the utility in having to use them. The advantage of this type of contract allows the utility to call upon each of these companies in the event they need assistance on projects without having to go out for public bidding as that process has been completed under this contract. Beth answered questions from the Commission regarding the types of projects the utility could utilize this contract for, the terms of the contract and when the utility can re-bid in the future. It was move by Comm. Pieters and seconded by Bristol to approve the contract as presented effective April 7, 2022, for a one (1) year period. On call of the roll, motion carried. (Neils – Aye, Brandel – Aye, Adams – Aye, Ganser – Aye, Bristol – Aye, Pieters – Aye, Opperman - Aye)

2021 AUDIT UPDATE

Hinze informed the Commission that all, but two of the requested items from the Auditors have been submitted. The remaining items consist of reconciliations of cash accounts and inventory and that she is hopeful those will be submitted by the end of the week.

It was moved by Comm. Oppermann and seconded by Comm. Ganser to adjourn. Motion carried on a voice vote. The meeting adjourned at 6:22 p.m.