

WATER AND LIGHT COMMISSION MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

JULY 6, 2010

The regular meeting of the Water and Light Commission was called to order in the Worthington Public Utilities Conference Room at 3:00 P.M., DST, by President Robert J. Demuth with the following members present: Randy Thompson, James Elsing, Ron Wood and Gary Hoffmann.

Staff members present were Scott Hain, General Manager; Deb Scheidt, Secretary to the Commission

Others present: None

AGENDA ADDITIONS/CLOSURE

A motion was made by Commissioner Hoffmann, seconded by Commissioner Thompson and unanimously carried to close the agenda as presented.

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A motion was made by Commissioner Wood, seconded by Commissioner Hoffmann and unanimously carried to approve the Water and Light Commission minutes of the regular meeting held June 14, 2010.

QUARTERLY HALOACETIC ACIDS (HAA5) AND TRIHALOMETHANE (THM) RESULTS

A copy of the letter from the Minnesota Department of Health (MDH) to the Water and Light Commission dated June 22, 2010, and the Final Report generated June 8, 2010, for the Quarterly Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) and Trihalomethane (THM) Results was provided to the Commission.

After a brief review of the results, a motion was made by Commissioner Wood, seconded by Commissioner Thompson and unanimously carried to receive the Quarterly Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) and Trihalomethane (THM) Report.

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH WATER SUPPLY INSPECTION

Scott Hain, General Manager, reported that the Minnesota Department of Health conducted an annual routine inspection of our water supply system on May 18, 2010. The Commission was provided with a copy of the letter from the Department of Health dated June 16, 2010, and the sanitary survey findings. No areas of concern were noted in the findings.

After a brief review of the results, a motion was made by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Hoffmann and unanimously carried to receive the inspection report.

MINNESOTA OSHA INSPECTION

Scott Hain, General Manager, reviewed the information included in the formal report from Minnesota OSHA regarding the inspection that was conducted on May 25-27, 2010.

After discussion, a motion was made by Commissioner Wood, seconded by Commissioner Thompson and unanimously carried to authorize the General Manager to execute an Expedited Informal Settlement Agreement with Minnesota OSHA.

ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT COMPARATIVE OPERATING RATIOS

Scott Hain, General Manager, reviewed the 2009 Electric Department comparative operating ratios with Commission members. The ratios compare Worthington Public Utilities with 213 other municipally owned electric utilities from across the United States. The information was taken from the Selected Financial and Operating Ratios of Public Power Systems published by the American Public Power Association (APPA). The data indicated that Worthington Public Utilities performs very favorably when compared to other publicly owned electric utilities.

MINNESOTA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES ASSOCIATION RATE SURVEY

Scott Hain, General Manager, presented the results of the 2010 Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association electric rate survey to the Commission. The results indicate that Worthington Public Utilities compares very favorably to similar municipally owned electric utilities.

TRANSMISSION PROJECT DISCUSSION

Scott Hain, General Manager, provided the Commission with an update on the status of the electric transmission improvements being considered in the Worthington area. Mr. Hain will continue to provide information to the Commission as it is received.

MINNESOTA MUNICIPAL UTILITIES ASSOCIATION 76TH ANNUAL SUMMER MEETING

Scott Hain, General Manager, reported that the Minnesota Municipal Utilities Association will hold their 78th annual summer meeting from August 23-25, 2010, at Arrowwood Resort in Alexandria, Minnesota. Lodging accommodations will be held until August 2, 2010. Registration for the annual meeting must also be submitted by August 2, 2010. Commission members were asked to notify utility staff as soon as possible of their intentions.

GENERAL MANAGER'S PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Commission members submitted their evaluations to President Demuth for compilation of responses. The composite scores from the evaluations will be reviewed at 2:30 p.m. on Monday, August 16, prior to the regular Commission meeting.

UTILITY BILLS PAYABLE

A motion was made by Commissioner Elsing, seconded by Commissioner Thompson and unanimously carried to approve the utility bills payable totaling \$301,105.77 for June 18, June 25 and July 1, 2010.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Commissioner Thompson, seconded by Commissioner Hoffmann and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 3:49 P.M., DST. President Demuth declared the meeting adjourned.

Deb A. Scheidt
Secretary to the Commission