

The special meeting of the Truman City Council and Public Utilities Commission was held April 16, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. The meeting was called to order by Hendricksen

Present: City:

PUC: Hendricksen, Kelley, Varpness, Wiederhoeft, Davis, Neitzke, Meyer, Marty
Carey-Union

Absent: Brownlee, Ebert, Mosloski, Nickerson

1. ELECTRIC SYSTEM PROJECTS

Varpness advised that the outage went good.

Varpness spoke about CMMPA services and how they could save us money. Adding that they come in and enter data onto tablets further adding that Blue earth saves approximately \$200,000 a year. Wiederhoeft questioned if this would replace the rate study. Varpness responded No. It was added that Heartland is willing to meet with residents to discuss ways to save money. Davis will be in contact with Heartland to schedule.

2. WATER - WASTE WATER

Varpness advised that the meter reading software is on hold. Bolton & Menk has completed testing and believes the plant can be rehabbed. They will be working on putting together prices.

3. REVIEW & APPROVAL

A motion was made by Kelley and seconded by Wiederhoeft to approve meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Kelley and seconded by Wiederhoeft to approve accounts payable.

A motion was made by Kelley and seconded by Wiederhoeft to approve CIP/refunds.

4. FINANCIAL & OPERATIONAL UPDATE

Davis advised that costs will be up in March/April due to running the generators. Neitzke questioned if the transmission charges have been staying the down. Davis advised they have not. A motion was made by Kelley and seconded by Wiederhoeft to approve using the middle rate.

5. OTHER TPU ITEMS

Hendricksen advised the Heartland meeting will be May 6th at 4:00pm at City Hall. Adding it will be a closed meeting. Wiederhoeft questioned why it would be closed adding that Heartland and Federated need to talk as all we are doing is going around and around. Neitzke questioned what had changed from last year and why their attorney feels the contract cannot be reassigned. Hendricksen added that it is a take & pay contract. Carey added that the contract is with TPU and not with Federated. Discussion on the lineman position took place. Neitzke questioned why the position wasn't posted in the Truman newspaper. Davis admitted it was due to personal feelings. Summer hours were discussed 6:30 a.m.- 4:00 pm Monday - Thursday 6:30 a.m.-10:30 a.m. Friday Discussion on summer help took place. Wiederhoeft volunteered to mow without pay.

11. ADJOURN

Meeting ended at 7:12PM.

Bethanie Ekstrom, City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer