

A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF VIRGINIA, MINNESOTA WAS HELD AT THE OFFICE OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC UTILITIES ON MONDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2021 AT 3:30 P.M.

Item 1. - Commission President Marwick called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM.

Approved

Present: Commissioners Johnson, Makowsky, Marwick, Petroskey and Teasck
Absent: None
Also Present: Greg French - General Manager; Bill Hafdahl – Assistant General Manager, Mary Johnson – Supervisor – Customer Relations; Charlie Baribeau – Virginia City Council; Representative – Virginia Public Access TV

Item 1 (a) – President Marwick declared the office of President open for nominations. There being the only one nominee, a motion was made by Petroskey and supported by Teasck for the election of Commissioner Marwick to the office of President. Motion carried unanimously.

President Marwick declared the office of Vice-President open for nominations. There being the only one nominee, a motion was made by Petroskey and supported by Makowsky for the election of Commissioner Johnson to the office of Vice-President. Motion carried unanimously.

President Marwick declared the office of Secretary open for nominations. There being the only one nominee, a motion was made by Johnson and supported by Teasck for the election of Commissioner Petroskey to the office of Secretary. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 2 (b) - A motion was made by Commissioner Petroskey and supported by Commissioner Teasck to approve the meeting agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 3 – None

Item 4 (a) - A motion was made by Commissioner Petroskey and supported by Commissioner Makowsky that financial resolution No. 5303 - Authorizing the payroll dated January 28, 2021 in the amount of \$110,017.37, direct deposits #33514 through #33581; and the payroll dated February 11, 2021 in the amount of \$104,874.16, direct deposits #33582 through #33648; and the bills dated January 25, 2021 through February 22, 2021 in the amount of \$1,602,356.58, checks #109753 through #109958 and wire and electronic transfers in the amount of \$393,171.49; and Net Payment Adjustments for the month of January 2021 in the amount of \$1153.55; and to approve the Regular Commission Meeting minutes from the January 25, 2021 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 5 (a) – Mr. French stated there was one injury reported resulting in no restrictions or lost time.

Item 6 (a) – Mr. French informed the Commission of a possible leak on the water line that runs under the bridge. He stated SEH will be using a drone to try and determine the location of the leak later this week.

Item 6 (b) – Mr. French gave an update on disconnects for non-payment. Six customers were delivered notices in Cycle One with one pending disconnect for this week. Five customers were delivered notices in Cycle Two. An update on Cycle Two will be given at the next meeting.

Item 7 (a) – Mr. French stated the 2021 Street Improvement Plan was approved in the 2021 budget. A motion was made by Commissioner Petroskey and supported by Commissioner Johnson to approve the 2021 Street Improvement Plan and Specifications as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 8 (a) – Mr. French stated that #306 feed breaker has been running for about a week without VPU's turbine generator backing it up. He further stated the plant is producing 65,000 lbs/hr of steam off #11 gas and #7 coal boilers. Mr. French stated that a small section of 6th Avenue will be closed tomorrow evening through possibly Thursday, as a crane will be located outside the plant. Finally, Mr. French discussed the gas costs during the recent Polar Vortex causing "Critical" pricing days in the gas market. A full update will be given at the next meeting once the costs are analyzed.

Item 8 (b) - None

Item 9 – A motion was made by Commissioner Petroskey and supported by Commissioner Johnson to adjourn at 3:50 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

James Petroskey, Secretary

Jeff Marwick, President