

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, MAY 24, 2021 AT 3:30 P.M.

Approved

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

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 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 Johnson and supported by Commissioner Petroskey that financial resolution No. 5306 - Authorizing the payroll dated May 6, 2021 in the amount of \$107,313.32, direct deposits #33980 through #34045; and the payroll dated May 20, 2021 in the amount of \$101,851.30, direct deposits #34046 through #34110; and the bills dated April 26, 2021 through May 24, 2021 in the amount of \$1,463,115.51, checks #110405 through #110587 and wire and electronic transfers in the amount of \$1,090,421.54; and Net Payment Adjustments for the month of April 2021 in the amount of <\$387.35>; and to approve the Regular Commission Meeting minutes from the April 26, 2021 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 5 (a) – Commissioner Marwick stated there were no injuries reported for the month.

Item 6 (a) – None

Item 7 (a) – A motion was made by Commissioner Teasck and supported by Commissioner Petroskey to approve the travel request for the General Manager (and, if interested, Assistant General Manager and any Commissioners) to attend the MMUA Summer Conference; August 16-18, 2021; Brainerd, MN. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 8 (a) – Mr. French stated VPU followed the City’s lead in lifting the mask mandate last week, and will open the doors beginning June 1st. He also stated the plant is producing about 40,000 lbs/hr of steam off the coal boiler. Mr. French gave an update on the new sub-station stating it should be ordered by the end of this week, and is expected to take 35 weeks for delivery. VPU will do all the necessary prep work this summer, so everything will be ready when the unit is delivered. Finally, Mr. French stated VPU has been looking for a contractor to build a working platform, so the leak on the water line, under the Hwy 53 bridge, can be accessed and repaired.

Item 8 (b) – Other discussion included the sewer line running under the Hwy 53 bridge, the package boiler, and the Rouchleau Pit water levels.

Item 9 – A motion was made by Commissioner Petroskey and supported by Commissioner Makowsky to adjourn at 3:44 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

James Petroskey, Secretary

Jeff Marwick, President