

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, OCTOBER 25, 2021 AT 3:30 P.M.

The September 2021 meeting was not held due to COVID.

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) – Mr. French stated that Mary Zager had a phone conversation with President Marwick prior to the meeting, so Item 3 (a) could be removed from the agenda. A motion was made by Commissioner Petroskey and supported by Commissioner Teasck to approve the amended meeting agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 3 – None

Item 4 (a) - A motion was made by Commissioner Petroskey and supported by Commissioner Teasck that financial resolution No. 5310 - Authorizing the payroll dated August 26, 2021 in the amount of \$103,025.15, direct deposits #34501 through #34565; and the payroll dated September 9, 2021 in the amount of \$108,408.27, direct deposits #34566 through #34630; and the payroll dated September 23, 2021 in the amount of \$103,349.99, direct deposits #34631 through #34694; and the payroll dated October 7, 2021 in the amount of \$99,120.58, direct deposits #34695 through #34757; and the payroll dated October 21, 2021 in the amount of \$96,420.68, direct deposits #34758 through #34819; and the bills dated August 23, 2021 through October 25, 2021 in the amount of \$3,177,576.32, checks #111216 through #112537 and wire and electronic transfers in the amount of \$3,467,755.17; and Net Payment Adjustments for the months of August in the amount of <\$27,352.37> and September 2021 in the amount of \$2363.13; and to approve the Regular Commission Meeting minutes from the August 23, 2021 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 5 (a) – Mr. French reported one injury for the month which resulted in one day of lost work.

Item 6 (a) – Mr. French updated the Commission on the Northside steam conversion stating VPU is ahead of where it was at a year ago on Southside. He further stated that VPU will shut down the Northside steam system starting on Monday, November 1st systematically.

Item 6 (b) – Mr. French gave a Highway 53 Water Main Update stating Ratotich Construction made the repair at the end of September.

Item 6 (c) – Mr. French updated the Commission on the package boiler indicating that while the boiler is in place, VPU is still waiting on electrical work to be completed, and parts to arrive for the RO system. He further stated the startup date has been moved out to December.

Item 7 (a) – None

Item 8 (a) – Mr. French informed the Commission that VPU is now having to order parts for critical infrastructure that used to be bought locally. He expressed concern due to large delays in shipping dates, and stated he wanted to make the Commission aware that VPU could be impacted should there be an immediate need with its critical infrastructure. Mr. French stated the plant is producing 42,000 lbs/hr of steam off #10 gas boiler. He further stated #7 coal boiler is still down with tube leaks and now grates that are locked up. Parts have been ordered, but there is an expected 10 week wait. My French indicated the plant will switch to coal once the boiler is ready. Mr. French also informed the Commission that the Public Safety Building substation slab has been poured, however VPU is still waiting on parts to complete the project.

Item 8 (b) – None

Item 9 – A motion was made by Commissioner Petroskey and supported by Commissioner Makowsky to adjourn at 3:48 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

James Petroskey, Secretary

Jeff Marwick, President