

Kaukauna WI  
July 19, 2007

The regular meeting of Kaukauna Utilities Commission was called to order at 4:05 p.m. by President, Lee Meyerhofer. Commission members present were Gene Rosin, Bill Vanderloop, Tom Driessen, Lee Meyerhofer, John Moore and Tom McGinnis. Also present were Paul Van Berkel, City Attorney, Jeff Feldt, Mike Pedersen, Don Krause, Eric Miller Mike Kawula and Ron Roberts from KU. Mike Stuart and Jim Brown from WPPI and Karen Brooks were also present.

It was moved by Bill Vanderloop seconded by Gene Rosin to excuse the absence of Commissioner Brian Paschen.

All members voted aye

Motion Carried

It was moved by Tom McGinnis, seconded by Gene Rosin to approve the minutes of the June 20, 2007 regular Commission meeting as written.

All members voted aye

Motion Carried

There was no public comment.

Mike Stuart, Senior Vice President from WPPI was present to inform the commission of WPPI priorities and goals to meet the challenges of the electric power industry. More resources are being spent on conservation, energy efficiency and renewable resources. The Boswell coal plant was a very good investment as well as the Elm Road coal plant south of Milwaukee. When 2/3 of the cost of delivered fuel is due to rail costs, it is wise to have fuel supplies nearby. Energy costs are rising and WPPI's goal is to mitigate those increases better than the competitors. That's why the emphasis is on energy conservation and efficiency programs. WPPI has asked member utilities to act as models for energy conservation in their communities. Federal mandates by 2015-2016 will require that 10% of energy will have to come from renewable resources. WPPI is also working on new wind energy sites. Capacity needs are met through 2015 with the resources WPPI currently has.

General Manager Jeff Feldt advised the commission the bids for the installation of the trash racks for the Kaukauna City Plant came in under budget. The trash racks were approved at the June meeting.

It was moved by John Moore, seconded by Tom McGinnis to accept the bid of Lunda Construction Company in the amount of \$13,079 for the installation of trash racks at the Kaukauna City Hydro Plant

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| Roll Call Vote: | Gene Rosin      | aye |
|                 | Lee Meyerhofer  | aye |
|                 | Tom McGinnis    | aye |
|                 | John Moore      | aye |
|                 | Bill Vanderloop | aye |
|                 | Tom Driessen    | aye |

Motion Carried

Jeff Feldt advised the commission that staff has evaluated the need to upgrade and/or relocate the Delanglade Substation due to age, electrical functionality and infrastructure interference. The City is growing to the north with the new Prosperity Center and development of the dog track. Staff proposes the purchase of a 0.5 acre site on the G & L property with frontage on Tobacnoir Street for construction of a new 30 MVA substation.

It was moved by Tom McGinnis, seconded by John Moore to approve purchase of an approximate one half acre site on the former Giddings & Lewis property from Fourfourteen, LLC at a price of \$41,500, subject to the satisfaction of contingencies as detailed in the Offer to Purchase.

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| Roll Call Vote: | John Moore      | aye |
|                 | Bill Vanderloop | aye |
|                 | Tom Driessen    | aye |
|                 | Gene Rosin      | aye |
|                 | Lee Meyerhofer  | aye |
|                 | Tom McGinnis    | aye |

Motion Carried

Jeff Feldt discussed the grant received by Kaukauna High School to design and build an electric powered vehicle. KU has a history of being a leader in energy efficiency and conservation as well as environmental stewardship. Participation in the KHS project is another opportunity for KU to promote these goals. A \$1,000 grant would secure KU as the prominent sponsor for this project.

It was moved by Gene Rosin, seconded by Bill Vanderloop to approve a \$1,000 grant to the Kaukauna High School Electric Vehicle Sponsorship.

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| Roll Call Vote: | Lee Meyerhofer  | aye |
|                 | Gene Rosin      | aye |
|                 | Tom McGinnis    | aye |
|                 | Tom Driessen    | aye |
|                 | John Moore      | aye |
|                 | Bill Vanderloop | aye |

Motion Carried

It was moved by Bill Vanderloop, seconded by Tom Driessen to approve the accounts receivable write offs.

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| Roll Call Vote: | Tom Driessen    | aye |
|                 | John Moore      | aye |
|                 | Bill Vanderloop | aye |
|                 | Gene Rosin      | aye |
|                 | Lee Meyerhofer  | aye |
|                 | Tom McGinnis    | aye |

Motion Carried

It was moved by John Moore, seconded by Gene Rosin that checks numbered 34612 to 34788 in the amount of \$785,915.17 be approved.

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| Roll Call Vote: | Bill Vanderloop | aye |
|                 | Gene Rosin      | aye |
|                 | John Moore      | aye |
|                 | Tom McGinnis    | aye |
|                 | Tom Driessen    | aye |
|                 | Lee Meyerhofer  | aye |

Motion Carried

The commission reviewed the monthly reports.

Jim Brown gave an update on the energy conservation programs for the second quarter. Rebates for AC tune-ups have been paid to 309 customers. Tree rebates will be available to customers through the end of October this year. New customer welcome packets and energy conservation kits are going well. Jim Brown is able to calculate the conservation amount and has determined the total rebates paid remains less than the conservation value. Jim Brown is working with the Water Department on a water conservation plan for 2008.

Jeff Feldt explained three applications for Clean Renewable Energy Bonds have been submitted for the Badger Hydro Project. If approved, KU would be the first municipal utility in WI to receive the interest free bonds.

Jeff Feldt distributed an updated organization due to the resignation of Bruce Gomm, Manager of Operations. Employees previously supervised by Bruce will report directly to the General Manager.

It was moved by John Moore, seconded by Gene Rosin to approve the new organization structure.

All members voted aye

Motion Carried

Jeff Feldt discussed the MEUW 2007 Resolutions which were approved at a meeting last week. The resolutions move toward environmental stewardship and energy efficiency as well as sponsorship of legislation to address “Captive Rail Shipper” problems.

Gene Rosin asked for a report from the Water Superintendent on what would be involved with softening the water system.

It was moved by Tom Driessen seconded by Gene Rosin to adjourn.

The meeting ended at 5:40 p.m.

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Thomas J. McGinnis  
Secretary