

Kaukauna, WI  
March 17, 2021

The regular meeting of Kaukauna Utilities Commission was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by President Lee Meyerhofer via ZOOM Meetings. Commission Members present were John Moore, Pennie Thiele, Sue Hennes, Greg Lenz, Lee Meyerhofer, Tony Penterman, and Paul Van Berkel. Also present via teleconference were Jeff Feldt, Rachel Audette, Mike Pedersen, Don Krause, Eric Miller, Clara Pickett, Brian Delforge, Dave Pahl, and Amy Brick from KU, City Attorney Kevin Davidson, and Brian Roebke.

There was no public comment.

It was moved by Tony Penterman, seconded by Sue Hennes to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2021 Commission meeting as amended.

All members voted aye.

Motion Carried

Manager of Engineering & Electric Distribution Eric Miller discussed replacement of the 1998 L.A. Woods single drum wire pulling trailer and also the purchase of an additional drum to be used specifically for underground wire. The following three bids were received:

<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Price</u>
Sauber Manufacturing	\$67,907
Brooks Brothers	\$95,000
Sherman Reilly	\$161,968

All of the bids received were for four-drum pullers, which is preferred by KU; however, only the Sauber model offers removable rope drums which will allow for operational flexibility. Eric informed the Commission \$70,000 is included in the 2021 budget to purchase the trailer.

It was moved by Pennie Thiele, seconded by John Moore to authorize the General Manager to award the bid for purchase of a new drum puller trailer to low evaluated bidder, Sauber Manufacturing Company in the amount of \$68,417.

Roll Call Vote:

Sue Hennes	aye
Tony Penterman	aye
Paul Van Berkel	aye
Pennie Thiele	aye
Lee Meyerhofer	aye
Greg Lenz	aye
John Moore	aye

Motion Carried

Manager of Engineering & Electric Distribution Eric Miller discussed replacement of the 1992 Digger Derrick Truck. The following three bids were received and evaluated:

<u>Manufacturer</u>	<u>Price</u>
Altec	\$263,786
Utility Sales	\$256,615
Terex	\$272,286

The 2021 budget includes replacement of the 2007 Digger Derrick truck and staff desires to replace the 1992 truck service instead. The amount budgeted was \$225,000 and the lowest evaluated bid is \$263,786. The amount budgeted was from the original estimate that did not include price increases or the optional remote.

It was moved by John Moore, seconded by Greg Lenz to authorize the General Manager to award the bid for purchase of a new digger derrick truck to low evaluated bidder, Altec, in the amount of \$263,786.

Roll Call Vote:	Lee Meyerhofer	aye
	Greg Lenz	aye
	Paul Van Berkel	aye
	Tony Penterman	aye
	John Moore	aye
	Pennie Thiele	aye
	Sue Hennes	aye

Motion Carried

General Manager Jeff Feldt informed the Commission KU currently has an approved optional Renewable Energy Rider tariff (RER-1) on file with the Public Service of Wisconsin (PSCW) that details charges and special terms and provisions for a customer to elect to purchase renewable energy blocks through WPPI Energy's Choose Renewable program. On February 25, 2021, the PSC approved River Falls Municipal Utilities to lower the price of renewable energy blocks for customers who participate in the Choose Renewable Program and have agreed to streamline the process for other WPPI members, who request the same changes. KU staff recommends the proposed revisions to the RER-1 tariff be submitted to the PSC for approval in conjunction with WPPI Energy.

It was moved by Sue Hennes, seconded by John Moore to authorize the General Manager to finalize and submit proposed revisions to Kaukauna Utilities Renewable Energy Tariff (RER-1) to the Public Service Commission in conjunction with WPPI Energy.

All members voted aye.	Motion Carried
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General Manager Jeff Feldt reviewed the 2020 Strategic Plan Year-End Progress Report.

The Commission reviewed the Electric and Water Financial Statements, the monthly reports, and the department updates.

General Manager Jeff Feldt informed the Commission the Electronics Recycling Event is April 24, 2021 at the Warehouse and the APPA 2021 National Conference will be held in Orlando, June 20-23 and virtually, July 13-14.

The Commission chose not to adjourn to closed session pursuant to Wis. State Statute 19.85(f) for review of data Kaukauna Utilities is prohibited from making public under Wis. Stat. 196.137, including Kaukauna Utilities Write Off Journal details, Check Register details and Customer Usage and Billing.

It was moved by John Moore, seconded by Greg Lenz to approve the February accounts receivable write-offs.

Roll Call Vote:	Paul Van Berkel	aye
	Pennie Thiele	aye
	Tony Penterman	aye
	Greg Lenz	aye
	John Moore	aye
	Lee Meyerhofer	aye
	Sue Hennes	aye

Motion Carried

It was moved by John Moore, seconded by Greg Lenz that checks numbered 754 through 760, 762 through 768, and checks numbered 73551 through 73699 in the amount of \$1,753,386.61 be approved for payment.

Roll Call Vote:	John Moore	aye
	Sue Hennes	aye
	Tony Penterman	aye
	Lee Meyerhofer	aye
	Greg Lenz	aye
	Pennie Thiele	aye
	Paul Van Berkel	aye

Motion Carried

It was moved by John Moore, seconded by Pennie Thiele to adjourn.

All members voted aye.	Motion Carried
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The meeting ended at 4:54 p.m.

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John P. Moore  
Secretary

Minutes taken by Amy Brick