

February 21, 2023

President Jeff Hyslop called the monthly meeting of the Eagle River Light, Water and WWTP Commission to order at 1:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Walt Gander, David Eibner, Ron Kressin & Dan Grosskopf.

Others in attendance: Jesse Roberts, Mike Sanborn, Robin Ginner and John Laszczkowski.

Motion by Walt Gander, second by David Eibner to approve the agenda. Carried.

Motion by Walt Gander, second by Ron Kressin to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

Motion by Dan Grosskopf, second by Walt Gander to approve payment of the accounts payable bills. Roll call vote: Dan Grosskopf, aye; Walt Gander, aye; Ron Kressin, aye; David Eibner, aye; Carried.

Motion by Walt Gander, second by Dan Grosskopf to approve January electronic payments/manual checks. Roll call vote: Walt Gander, aye; Dan Grosskopf, aye; David Eibner, aye; Ron Kressin, aye; Carried.

President Jeff Hyslop opened for comments on any correspondence included in the agenda package: John indicated that the USDA is continuing to work on some administrative items on their review checklists. General group comments that WPPI's benchmarking report is a nice & informative report. No additional comments or discussion.

President Jeff Hyslop opened for discussion of staff reports:

Jesse Roberts updated the Commission on customers that he is actively involved with on energy audits, conservation programs and billing classes. Additional discussion on Jesse's progress of a quarterly commercial newsletter that will be emailed shortly to our customers.

John Laszczkowski briefly discussed financial activities through January. The goal is to promptly close the financial books of 2022 & thoroughly review our authorized rate of return performance. It appears that rate adjustments will be necessary to offset some of the increasing inflationary pressures in the marketplace. Lastly, our past due exposure on delinquent accounts is about \$17,900, which is a low 3.6% of our present aging.

Mike Sanborn discussed his operational report in additional detail; including a construction update on the WWTP project. We've been looking at the remaining contingency fund and running into significant lead time & cost challenges with generators. Lastly, Mike gave an update on the recent power outage and the fire hazard that existed with the gas line there.

Approval of Engineering Proposal from Steinmetz Corporation for \$2,700.

After a brief discussion, motion by Walt Gander and second by Ron Kressin to approve the engineering proposal from Steinmetz Corporation for \$2,700. Roll call vote: Gander, aye; Kressin, aye; Grosskopf, aye; Eibner, aye. Carried.

Motion by Ron Kressin, second by Dan Grosskopf to adjourn at 1:34 P.M. Carried.

John Laszczkowski
Recording Secretary
