

July 15, 2025

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

Roll Call: Dan Dumas, David Eibner, Dan Grosskopf and Walt Gander.

Others in attendance: Mike Sanborn, Jesse Roberts, Daryl Rutkowski and John Laszczkowski.

Motion by Walt Gander, second by Dan Grosskopf to approve the agenda. Carried.

Motion by Walt Gander, second by David Eibner to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Carried.

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

Motion by Dan Grosskopf, second by Walt Gander to approve June's electronic payments/manual checks. Roll call vote: Dan Grosskopf, aye; Walt Gander, aye; Dan Dumas, aye; David Eibner, aye; Carried.

President Debra Brown opened for comments on any correspondence included in the agenda package: No additional comments or discussion.

President Debra Brown opened for discussion of staff reports:

Jesse Roberts updated the Commission on the continued planning of the next National Night Out event, Public Power Week raffle prizes and the ongoing small business Focus on Energy funding opportunities with on-site field work.

John Laszczkowski discussed financial results through June. At this point, all three utilities are still ahead of last year as far as profitability, consumption sales and revenue level. Our receivables continue to be manageable and currently have a very low past due percent of 1.55%. Disconnections are not an issue this year. Based on these positive trends, our cash position improved by approximately 100k from May to June. Lastly, WPPI performed their on-site IT network assessment and evaluated our future hardware/software needs. Some recommendations are still pending, but, additional cyber security, anti-virus and anti-phishing protection was immediately added to our computers.

Mike Sanborn discussed his operational report in additional detail, including the ongoing water tower refurbishing project and additional PFAS sludge testing with potential concerns. The remaining topics will be discussed as listed action items.

Approval of SEH change order for \$21,300.00 to remove fill pipe insulation, blast and recoat fill pipe & reinstall insulation at the water tower.

After a discussion regarding the necessity of this change order and available funding, motion by David Eibner and second by Dan Grosskopf to approve the SEH change order for \$21,300.00 to remove fill pipe insulation, blast and recoat fill pipe & reinstall insulation at the water tower. Roll call vote: Eibner, aye; Grosskopf, aye; Gander, aye; Dumas, aye; Carried.

Approval to purchase 3 used regulators from Brodhead for \$40,000.00.

After a discussion, motion by Dan Grosskopf and second by Walt Gander to approve the purchase of 3 used regulators from Brodhead for \$40,000.00. Roll call vote: Grosskopf, aye; Gander, aye; Dumas, aye; Eibner, aye; Carried.

Approval of recommendation to the City Council of the sanitary manhole rehabilitation from Aqualis not to exceed \$35,500.00.

After a discussion regarding confirmation of the manhole locations and funding options with our available reserve account, motion by David Eibner and second by Dan Grosskopf to approve recommending to the City Council the sanitary manhole rehabilitation from Aqualis at a cost not to exceed \$35,500.00. Roll call vote: Eibner, aye; Grosskopf, aye; Gander, aye; Dumas, aye; Carried.

Approval of recommendation to the City Council of the sanitary sewer pipe repair from Aqualis not to exceed \$54,080.50.

After a discussion regarding the necessity of these repairs and funding options with our available reserve account, motion by David Eibner and second by Dan Grosskopf to approve recommending to the City Council the sanitary sewer pipe repairs from Aqualis at a cost not to exceed \$54,080.50. Roll call vote: Eibner, aye; Grosskopf, aye; Gander, aye; Dumas, aye; Carried.

Motion by Walt Gander, second by Dan Grosskopf to adjourn at 1:46 P.M. Carried.

John Laszczkowski
Recording Secretary
