

## **TRAER MUNICIPAL UTILITIES**

The Board of Trustees of the Traer Municipal Utilities met in regular session on **Thursday October 7th, 2021** in Traer Municipal Hall.

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Podhajsky called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM; with trustees Whannel, Barnes and Dostal present and McEwen via teleconference.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION by Whannel, seconded by Dostal, that the Agenda was approved. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTION by Barnes, seconded by Dostal, that the Consent Agenda is approved; Minutes of the September 2nd, 2021 meeting and September Checks (#35104-35165); and 3 ACH payments (09082021, 9212021 & 9302021); total expenditures of \$199,985.76. Motion approved unanimously with a roll call vote.

### **GENERAL MANAGER REPORT**

TMU's newest employee Andrew Lidgett was introduced to the board. GM Currens informed the board that since the September 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting Jack Dostal, had taken another job, and since then the lineman job was offered and accepted by Andrew. TMU is excited to have Andrew on board.

During this time Currens also informed the board that our water tower recently had an interior inspection done. We've yet to get the results on and that Farabee Mechanical is here working on the engine, they've been busy tearing into things, and will continue to do so.

TMU is still looking for an internet technician. Currens informed the board that unfortunately we just aren't getting much response. So Currens has talked with folks from RTU (Reinbeck Telecommunications Utility) about offering support and/or backup when we need it, and they told him they'd be willing to help anytime they'd be needed.

Currens also informed the board that the selling of Hudson Municipal Electric Utility to Mid-American will be a loss of revenue for us as we will no longer be needed to do contract work. The loss is approx. \$21,000/year.

### **UTILITY RELATED CITIZEN INPUT**

Nick Ferguson, candidate running for Mayor, was present and introduced himself during this time. Told the board that during his recent deployment he was a general's aide and has dealt with high level politics which got him interested in local politics. He wants to bring a younger prospective to our local government, and wants to be a part of things happening within Traer.

Being no further business the meeting was adjourned.  
Check Register attached.

Chairman Podhajsky  
Haley Blaine, Board Secretary