MINUTES OF THE MANITOWOC PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION MEETING MONDAY, APRIL 29, 2024

The scheduled meeting of the Manitowoc Public Utilities Commission was called to order by President Diedrich at 4:00 p.m. on Monday, April 29, 2024. In attendance were Commissioners Allie, Hornung, Nickels, Roberts, and Sitkiewitz. Also present were Andy Onesti, Cindy Carter, and Carissa Grimm - MPU; Troy Adams - General Manager; and Attorney Andrew Steimle - Steimle Birschbach, LLC. Commissioner McMeans was excused.

AWARDS/RECOGNITION/ACHIEVEMENTS: T. Adams recognized with the commission MPU accomplishments in receiving awards for reliability and safety by APPA.

APPA CERTIFICATE OF EXCELLENCE IN RELIABILITY: The APPA recognized MPU with its "Certificate of Excellence in Electric Reliability" for the ninth consecutive year. MPU continues to significantly outperform electric industry national average reliability as reported by the Energy Information Association. The American Public Power Association has honored more than 245 public power utilities with a "Certificate of Excellence" for reliable performance in 2023. The certificates celebrate utilities that have provided exceptionally reliable service and power to their communities.

APPA SAFETY AWARD OF EXCELLENCE: For the second consecutive year, APPA recognized MPU with its "Safety Award of Excellence". MPU was one of 145 public power utilities in the nation to receive this award for safe operating practices in 2023. The APPA safety award recognizes utilities based on their incident rates as well as the overall state of the safety programs and culture.

APPA RP3 - **DIAMOND DESIGNATION:** MPU has earned a Diamond level Reliable Public Power designation from APPA for providing reliable and safe electric service. This is MPU's third time in a row receiving the highest designation.

Commission thanked MPU employees for their commitment and dedication to safety and reliability at MPU. The consensus was to authorize the Executive Leadership Team to determine a token of appreciation for the employees.

CONVENE MEETING TO CLOSED SESSION: Notice had been previously given that Manitowoc Public Utilities Commission will adjourn into a closed session during the April 29, 2024 meeting pursuant to Section 19.85(1)(e) to discuss the approval of the minutes of the March 25, 2024 and April 1, 2024 Closed Session Meetings, and Manitowoc Refuel Renewable Project.

MOTION: A Motion to convene in closed session was made by Commissioner Allie and seconded by Commissioner Sitkiewitz. Motion carried unanimously. Accordingly, the Commission convened in closed session at 4:06 p.m.

The meeting was reconvened to open session at 4:22 p.m.

APPROVAL OF ITEMS FROM CLOSED SESSION:

MOTION: A Motion was made by Commissioner Hornung and seconded by Commissioner Nickels to approve \$30,000 for the sludge dryer prototype. Motion carried unanimously.

RIVER CROSSING REPLACEMENT CAPITAL BUDGET MODIFICATION: Following a fault on R132 in February 2024 causing 930 customers to be without power, crews discovered that a terminator at the R132 river crossing riser had faulted. While repairing, MPU linecrew noted the poor condition of the 70-year old river crossing cables with deterioration of the cable jacket due to UV light and weather conditions. It was determined that the integrity and long-term reliability of the cable required it to be replaced resulting in a capital budget modification to secure materials and begin the process of replacing both R132 and Circuit B river crossing. The anticipation is for \$250,000 in 2024 to secure materials and permits with an additional \$250,000 in 2025 for labor and contractor costs.

MOTION: A Motion was made by Commissioner Hornung and seconded by Commissioner Sitkiewitz to approve the Capital Budget increase not to exceed \$250,000 for 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT: The report was distributed for review. A brief discussion was held on the Trail's End water leak, ATC management agreeing to the MPU proposal to utilize transmission lines A101/E105 for black-starting the solid fuel power plant during a transmission system emergency, and the WWTF contract amount resulting in a nearly 25% increase.

CBCWA UPDATE: The report was distributed for review. A brief update was given on the status of Amendment #2.

MINUTES: The Minutes from the Regular Session Meeting on March 25, 2024 and Special Meeting on April 1, 2024 were presented for approval.

APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: Claims List dated April 9, 2024, Claims List dated April 23, 2024, Claims List dated April 25, 2024, and Wires dated April 24, 2024 were presented for approval.

FINANCIAL REPORTS FOR JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 2024: The financial reports for January and February 2024 were previously distributed to the Commission for review and discussion. This was pulled from consent. Commissioner Diedrich inquired about the losses on the income statements. C. Carter provided clarification that it's not unexpected and they are budgeted expenses.

2023 PSCW RENEWABLE ENERGY PORTFOLIO: The Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) energy report filed with the PSCW was distributed for review. Wisconsin law currently requires MPU to generate 9.19% of our annual retail sales from renewable sources. MPU has met the requirements and has reserve credits available through at least the next decade based on the power plant operation in 2023.

2023 PSCW ANNUAL REPORT: MPU filed the 2023 PSCW annual report upon receipt of audit report data from KerberRose. This report is due annually on May 1.

2023 PERFORMANCE INDICATORS: The 2023 key performance indicators of MPU were presented and compared to 2021 and 2022. These Performance Indicators are a representation of items supporting MPU's Strategic Plan. This was pulled from the consent items for further discussion.

QUOTATIONS/BIDS: Main Office Cubicle Redesign; Primary Underground Reroute to MTM; Wastewater Security Upgrade; 2024-2025 Utility Maintenance Contract; Lead Service Line Replacement Project 0703; River Court Watermain Extension; Watermain Replacement on Franklin Street.

MOTION: A Motion was made by Commissioner Nickels and seconded by Commissioner Sitkiewitz to approve the Regular Session Minutes from March 25, 2024 and Special Meeting Minutes from April 1, 2024; the Claims List dated April 9, 2024 check nos. 104220 through 104329 totaling \$1,116,819.88; the Claims List dated April 23, 2024 check nos. 104330 through 104466 totaling \$6,759,203.82; the Claims List dated April 25, 2024 check nos. 104467 through 104469 totaling \$4,023.89; Wire Transfers dated through April 24, 2024 totaling \$6,108,971.54; to place on file the 2023 PSCW Renewable Energy Portfolio, and 2023 PSCW Annual Report; and approve the quotations as follows: Main Office Cubicle Redesign - \$44,014.00 - Lakeshore Business Interiors; Primary Underground Reroute to MTM - \$107,030.00 - Stuart Irby; Wastewater Security Upgrade - \$204,192.23 - Complex Security Solutions; 2024-2025 Utility Maintenance Contract - \$78,200.00 - Mammoth Construction; Lead Service Line Replacement Project 0703 - \$1,588,905.00 - Matt's Services, LLC; River Court Watermain Extension -\$100,214.10 - Vinton Construction Company; Watermain Replacement on Franklin Street - \$338,427.73 - Vinton Construction Company. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: A Motion was made by Commissioner Nickels and seconded by Commissioner Sitkiewitz to place on file the Financial Reports for January and February 2024. Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION: A Motion was made by Commissioner Sitkiewitz and seconded by Commissioner Nickels to place on file the 2023 Performance Indicators. Motion carried unanimously.

NEXT MEETING: Monday, May 20, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.

ADJOURN: A Motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Sitkiewitz. Meeting adjourned at 5:01 p.m.

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Approved: Troy Adams, General Manager

Approved: Scott McMeans, Secretary