

MINUTES OF THE  
SHAKOPEE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION  
FEBRUARY 7, 2022  
Regular Meeting

1. Call to Order. President Mocol called the February 7, 2022 meeting of the Shakopee Public Utilities Commission to order at 5:00 PM. President Mocol, Vice President Fox, Commissioner Brennan, Commissioner Krieg, and Commissioner Letourneau were present.
2. Approval of Consent Agenda. Vice President Fox moved approval of the Consent Agenda: (a) January 18, 2022 Minutes; (b) February 7, 2022 Agenda; (c) February 7, 2022 Warrant List; (d) MMPA January meeting update; (e) 2020 CIP Results and 2022 Plan Approved; (f) Res#2022-05 Resolution of Appreciation to Robert Romansky; (g) Fraudulent Check Update. Commissioner Letourneau seconded the motion. Ayes: Mocol, Fox, Brennan, Krieg, and Letourneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.
3. Liaison Report. Commissioner Brennan noted that City staff notified the Planning Commission that they are reviewing zoning text revisions, including alternative fueling stations. She noted that Seagate has decided not to sell its building. Commissioner Brennan reported that the City has applied for a federal grant and State bonding for The Hub, a regional innovation center combining education, labs, workforce development, and entrepreneurial space. She requested a letter of support from SPU.
4. Public Comment Period. No public comments were offered.
5. General Manager Report; MMPA 2021. Greg Drent, General Manager, provided an update on commercial solar and applicable rebates. He noted that SPU is working with Scott County fiber systems to assist with SPU bandwidth issues. He also noted that SPU is looking into potential iPads for Commissioners for meeting materials. Mr. Drent noted that SPU has hired an Accounting Supervisor with experience working for a city, who will start on Feb. 22, 2022. Mr. Drent also provided an overview of 2021 highlights for MMPA.
6. Water Report. Lon Schemel, Water Superintendent, provided an update on employee training for the Emergency Response Plan required by FEMA. He noted that the Department is replacing chlorine tubing, which is done each winter. Mr. Schemel estimated that 4 million gallons of water were saved in 2021 through SPU rebate offers. He explained that SPU may be eligible for \$50,000 in water efficiency grants/rebates from the Met Council. Mr. Schemel also noted that the SCADA installation on Tank 8 is delayed due to COVID. He reported that Well 23 is out for bid, with responses due February 28, 2022, and that design work is underway for Pumphouse 23.
7. Normal Elevation Service District Water Treatment Plant Study. Joseph Adams, Director of Planning and Engineering, provided an informational overview of discussions regarding the

potential future hybrid water treatment site. Mr. Adams described potential options near Sun Path as well as the School District's desires as to placement and shape of a potential site. He noted that both parties continue to review technical possibilities.

8. Electric Report. Brad Carlson, Electrical Superintendent, reported that no outages occurred since the last Commission meeting. He also provided an update on current projects, including that joint trenching at Whispering Waters and Valley Crest Addition is complete. Mr. Carlson noted that crews have energized primary service for River Bluff Apartments.

9. Customer Service/Marketing Update. Sharon Walsh, Director of Key Accounts/Marketing/Special Projects, noted that a commercial and industrial customer recently signed up for SPU's Business Clean Energy Choice Program, and is willing to serve as a case study for the Program. Ms. Walsh noted that the State approved the 2020 Conservation Improvement Program. Ms. Walsh reported that the electric vehicle wrap is into production; she plans to take pictures of the SPU and City electric vehicles together. Ms. Walsh stated that she has completed phase 1 (out of 3) for the Key Accounts Certification.

10. Service Territory. Commissioner Brennan moved, seconded by Vice President Fox, that the Commission go into closed session under Minnesota Statutes, Section 13D.05, subdivision 3(c) to develop or consider offers for the purchase of electric service territory rights and facilities of Minnesota Valley Electric Cooperative. Ayes: Mocol, Fox, Brennan, Krieg, and Letourneau. Nays: None. Motion carried. In open session, President Mocol raised the issue of the proposed Electric Service Territory Agreement. Commissioner Brennan moved to approve the Electric Service Territory Agreement as presented. Vice President Fox seconded the motion. Ayes: Mocol, Fox, Brennan, Krieg, and Letourneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.

11. Adjourn. Motion by Vice President Fox, seconded by Commissioner Letourneau, to adjourn to the Tuesday, February 22, 2022 meeting. Ayes: Mocol, Fox, Brennan, Krieg, and Letourneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.

  
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Greg Drent, Commission Secretary