MINUTES OF THE SHAKOPEE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION FEBRUARY 22, 2022 Regular Meeting

- 1. <u>Call to Order.</u> President Mocol called the February 22, 2022 meeting of the Shakopee Public Utilities Commission to order at 5:00 PM. President Mocol, Vice President Fox, Commissioner Brennan, and Commissioner Krieg were present.
- 2. <u>Approval of Consent Agenda.</u> Vice President Fox moved approval of the Consent Agenda: (a) February 7, 2022 Minutes; (b) February 22, 2022 Agenda; (c) February 8, 2022 Warrant List, Account Credit Request/Deposits Refunds; (d) February 22, 2022 Warrant List; (e) Monthly Dashboard as of December 2021; (f) Res#2022-06 Resolution Establishing Electric Rates for Customers Served by Shakopee Public Utilities; (g) 2022 MMPA Transmission Transformed Rate. Commissioner Krieg seconded the motion. Ayes: Mocol, Fox, Brennan, and Krieg. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- 3. <u>Liaison Report.</u> Commissioner Brennan reported that the City Council reappointed Kathi Mocol for a three-year term. She also noted that the City Council approved the Emblem project.
- 4. <u>Public Comment Period.</u> No public comments were offered.
- 5. <u>General Manager Report; MMPA 2021.</u> Greg Drent, General Manager, provided an update on the Virginia Transformer agreement, including an escalation clause and a potentially earlier delivery in October or November. Mr. Drent noted that SPU is working with MVEC to jointly inform customers of the electric service territory exchange. He stated that the April Commission meeting typically includes an election of officers. Mr. Drent noted that he and Commissioner Brennan attended the MMUA virtual Legislative Conference.
- 6. <u>Water Report.</u> Lon Schemel, Water Superintendent, reported that for Tank #8. the communications company will install communication SCADA equipment and that the filling of that tank should follow. He noted that all preventive maintenance has been completed for the year. Mr. Schemel stated that bids for Well #23 at Tank #8 will be opened on February 28th with recommendations expected to be presented at the March 7th Commission meeting.
- 7. <u>Electric Report.</u> Brad Carlson, Electrical Superintendent, reported that one outage occurred since the last Commission meeting. He also provided an update on current projects, including tree trimming and underground work for Windermere 5th Addition. Mr. Carlson noted that technical planning work will proceed with MVEC for the transfer of electrical facilities.
- 8. <u>Customer Service/Marketing Update</u>. Sharon Walsh, Director of Key Accounts/Marketing/Special Projects, noted that the 2022 Conservation Program started last week. She has been

working with Katama on preparing the initial AMI bid package, which is expected by March 11th. Ms. Walsh noted the SPU electric vehicle will receive its logo. She provided an update on her certification process. She explained that she has coordinated providing information to questions from key accounts as to SPU programs. Ms. Walsh reported that SPU continues to improve the SPU website content and to encourage additional on-line reviews from customers.

- 9. <u>NISC Contract.</u> Mr. Drent provided an overview of the bid process for the new finance, human resources, and customer billing system. He described how staff narrowed the responses to two candidates, the cost breakdowns, and site visits to two local utilities using each of these software options. Mr. Drent noted that SPU staff had early discussions with the City and determined that the City's system did not support SPU's needs. He presented the staff recommendation to negotiate an agreement with NISC. Vice President Fox moved that the General Manager continue to negotiate an appropriate agreement with NISC and authorize signature. Commissioner Brennan seconded the motion. Ayes: Mocol, Fox, Brennan, and Krieg. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- 10. <u>SPU Quarterly Investment Performance Review/Economic & Market Update</u>. Kelley Willemssen, Director of Finance & Administration, introduced Brian Johnson and Danny Nelson from PFM Asset Management Group, SPU's Investment Advisor. They presented an update on current market conditions and provided an overview of how SPU's portfolio has performed during the past quarter and what is expected for the remainder of the year.
- 11. <u>Water and Electric Projects Update</u>, Joseph Adams, Planning and Engineering Director, presented the 2022 current SPU water and electric projects, as well as projects by the City, County, and developers that affect SPU utilities.
- 12. <u>Future Items.</u> Commissioner Brennan requested information on smart switches.
- 13. <u>Adjourn.</u> Motion by Vice President Fox, seconded by Commissioner Krieg, to adjourn to the Monday, March 7, 2022 meeting. Ayes: Mocol, Fox, Brennan, and Krieg. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Greg Drent, Commission Secretary