## Proposed As Consent Item

## MINUTES OF THE SHAKOPEE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION August 15, 2022 Regular Meeting

- 1. <u>Call to Order.</u> President Mocol called the August 15, 2022, meeting of the Shakopee Public Utilities Commission to order at 5:00 PM. President Mocol, Vice President Krieg, Commissioner Brennan, Commissioner Fox, and Commissioner Letourneau were present.
- 2. <u>Approval of Consent Agenda.</u> Commissioner Fox moved approval of the consent agenda: (3a) August 1, 2022 Minutes; (3b) August 15, 2022 Agenda; (3c) August 4, 2022 Warrant List, Account Credit Request/Deposit Refunds; (3d) August, 15, 2922 Warrant List (3e)Water Dashboard; (3f) Res#2022-219 Resolution Setting the Amount of the Trunk Water Charge, Approving of its Collection and Authorizing Water Services to Certain Property Described as: Windermere South 6<sup>th</sup> Addition; (3g) Res#2022-20 Resolution Approving the Estimated Cost of Pipe Oversizing on the Watermain Project: Windermere South 6<sup>th</sup> Addition. Vice President Krieg seconded the motion. Ayes: Mocol, Krieg, Brennan, Fox, and Letourneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- 3. <u>General Manager Report.</u> Greg Drent, General Manager, reported that SPU is assisting the Shakopee School District with applications for solar projects under 40 kw at two schools. He noted that SPU has fielded calls as to July bills, with higher usage and higher amounts. Mr. Drent stated that the NISC training is underway, with billing changes expected in January or February 2023. He noted that SPU is working to transition vendors. He provided an update on strategic planning.
- 4. <u>MMPA Review & Contract Extension.</u> Mr. Drent noted that the Commission is asked to consider an extension in the power sales agreement with Minnesota Municipal Power Agency (MMPA) through 2060; if approved in concept, an amendment will be prepared for the following meeting. Mr. Drent introduced Derick Dahlen, Executive Manager of MMPA and President/CEO of Avant Energy, manager for MMPA, and Oncu Er, COO of Avant Energy. They presented an overview of MMPA's history, performance, energy supply, and future planning. Commissioner Fox moved approval of extending the MMPA Power Sales Agreement through 2060; Commissioner Letourneau seconded the motion. Ayes: Mocol, Krieg, Brennan, Fox, and Letourneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.
- 5. <u>Liaison Report.</u> Commissioner Brennan noted that the City Council approved the final plat of the River Valley Business Park.
- 6. <u>Public Comment Period.</u> No public comments were offered.

- 7. <u>Water Report.</u> Lon Schemel, Water Superintendent, presented the hydrant flushing update. He also provided an update on Well 23.
- 8. <u>Minnesota Department of Health PFAS testing</u>. Mr. Schemel noted that the Minnesota Department of Health requested another round of PFAS testing for SPU production wells. He explained that SPU had planned to perform this testing in September, and the State's actions will save approximately \$4,800 in analytical services. He noted that the State is considering pushing back on the proposed federal regulation of levels that currently cannot be detected.
- 9. <u>Electric Report.</u> Brad Carlson, Electric Superintendent, provided project updates, including Shakopee West Substation, McKenna Road street lighting, River Bluff street lighting, and the feeder extension on 17<sup>th</sup> Ave. He noted that in response to the outages from the big storm, SPU crews worked from 11pm until 7pm the next day. He described an outage at Circuit 8, with over 700 customers out for 108 minutes, with some additional areas connected later. Mr. Carlson also noted three other outages, including a contractor hitting an overhead power line and a fault on a feeder.
- 10. Marketing/Key Accounts Report. Sharon Walsh, Director of Key Accounts/Marketing/Special Projects, reported that SPU will interview two AMI vendors and possibly four in September. She reported that Rhythm on the Rails provided good traction with customers. She reported that the 2021 Year-In-Review was sent out. Ms. Walsh noted more discussion with commercial customers on solar net metering and the difference for projects over 40 kw. For the service territory transfer with MVEC, she noted that nearly 70% of SPU's Prior Lake customers have given permission to share account information with MVEC, and the remaining customers are nearing the State's determination of implied consent. She noted that a new business customer signed up for Clean Energy.
- 11. <u>Budget 2023</u>. Mr. Drent and Kelley Willemssen, Director of Finance and Administration, provided an update and requested that two Commissioners to participate in an informal working group. Vice President Krieg and Commission Letourneau volunteered to assist.
- 12. <u>July 2022 Financial Reports & Accounts Receivable Aging</u>. Ms. Willemssen presented the July 2022 financial report. She explained that the unfavorable electric budget to actual is due to increased purchased power costs. She also noted an increase in accounts receivable.
- 13. <u>Adjourn.</u> Motion by Commissioner Fox, seconded by Commission Letourneau, to adjourn to the Tuesday, September 6, 2022, meeting. Ayes: Mocol, Krieg, Brennan, Fox, and Letourneau. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Greg Drent, Commission Secretary