



**IMU BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE ELECTRIC, WATER
AND COMMUNICATIONS UTILITIES**

February 28, 2022

5:30 PM

City Hall Council Chambers

Minutes

The Indianola Board of Trustees met in regular session at 5:30 PM on February 28, 2022, in the City Hall Council Chambers. Chairperson Lori Smith called the meeting to order and on roll call, the following members were present: Deb White, Lesley Forbush, Lori Smith, Adam Voigts. Absent: Mike Rozga.

No public comments were offered.

Voigts moved to approve the consent agenda and White seconded it. Question was called for, and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously. The consent agenda was as follows:

- Approval of Minutes of the prior Board meeting.

Electric Superintendent Mike Metcalf provided an Electric Utility update.

Water Superintendent Lou Elbert gave a Water Utility update. Elbert provided the Board with proposed rate increases and timelines.

White moved to approve Resolution 2022-010 approving the construction contract and bond for the Fiber Extension to the Water Resource Recovery Facility Project. Voigts seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: White, Forbush, Smith, Voigts. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Rozga. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

General Manager Chris Des Planques provided the Communications Utility update.

Finance Director Chris Longer provided the Board with a summary of the Fiscal Year 23 budget. The Board discussed shared services, health insurance renewals and potential rate increases.

Chairperson Smith opened the Public Hearing for the Fiscal Year 23 budget. No public comments were offered and the Clerk reported none had been submitted. The Public Hearing was closed.

White moved to approve Resolution 2022-011 approving the Fiscal Year 23 Budget. Voigts seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: White, Forbush, Smith, Voigts. NAYS: None. ABSENT: Rozga. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Voigts moved to approve the General Manager Job Description. White seconded it. In discussion, Longer noted that the description had been updated with language from legal counsel. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

The Board discussed and clarified the goals in the strategic plan. Staff will bring final approval to a future meeting.

In other business, the Board discussed the solar project and pending legislation and how that may affect the project.

White moved to adjourn at 7:02 PM. Voigts seconded it. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Lori Smith, Chairperson

Attest:

Jackie Raffety, City Clerk