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

March 14, 2022
5:30 PM
City Hall Council Chambers
Minutes

The Indianola Municipal Utilities Board of Trustees met in regular session at 5:30 PM on March 14, 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 (via Zoom), Lori Smith, Mike Rozga, and Adam Voigts. Absent: NONE.

No public comments were offered.

Rozga moved to approve the Consent Agenda, White seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Voigts, White, Forbush, Smith, Rozga. NAYS: None. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously. The Consent Agenda was as follows:

- Approval of the March 1, 2022 claims.
- Approval of the March 14, 2022 claims.
- Approval of the January financial report.
- Approval of Minutes of the prior board meeting.
- Resolution setting a Public Hearing for March 28, 2022, at 5:30 PM regarding the proposed electric rate increase.
- Resolution setting a Public Hearing for March 28, 2022, at 5:30 PM regarding the proposed water rate increase.
- Resolution setting a Public Hearing for March 28, 2022, at 5:30 PM regarding the proposed telecommunications rate increase.

White moved to approve Resolution 2022-015 to amend resolution 2021-007 to accept a new bid of $37,803, plus tax for a single 2022 RAM 3500; and to waive any applicable internal policies and prices on bidding requirements. Voigts seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Smith, Forbush, Rozga, Voigts, White. NAYS: None. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Voigts moved to approve the updated IMU Interconnection Policy and Guidelines. Rozga seconded it. Question was called for and on voice vote the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Electric Superintendent Mike Metcalf provided an Electric Utility update. Metcalf reached out to Winterset to see if they needed mutual aid after the recent tornado that went through Winterset.They passed on the offer. Crews will work on updating the streetlights around the square as the Streetscape project advances.

White moved to authorize Warren Water District to serve an IMU customer within their territory upon proper notice to IMU since the customer is within two miles of IMU territory, located at 10409 95th Ave. Rozga seconded it. Question was called for and on voice vote, the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Water Superintendent Lou Elbert gave a Water Utility update. The water mains around the square will be changed soon as part of the Streetscape project as expected.

Voigts moved to approve payment to CDW-G in the amount of $26,855.45 for the annual CISCO SmartNet agreement. White seconded it. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Telecommunications Superintendent Kurt Ripperger provided a Telecommunications Utility update. Weather permitting crews would like to start working on the WRRF drop. As well as other temporary drops that were installed during the winter months.

Voigts moved to approve the IMU Strategic Plan 2022. White seconded it. Chairperson Smith noted that this would be revisited later in the year. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Rozga moved to approve of the 4th Quarter 2021 write offs. White seconded it. Question was called for and on voice vote the Mayor declared the motion carried unanimously.

Rozga moved to approve Resolution 2022-016 approving the termination of the USDA Revolving Loan Fund Agreement. White seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Voigts, White, Smith, Forbush, Rozga. NAYS: None. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

General Manager Chris Des Planques provided an update on the next MEAN meeting agenda. As well as an update on the solar project and how it would affect the rental ground by the water plant.

In other business Chairperson Smith stated that on March 29, 2022, at 5:30 PM the City Council and the IMU Board of Trustees would have a joint meeting at the Indianola Activity Center. The meeting will focus on allegations on IMU that occurred in late 2021.

At 6:23 PM Rozga moved to enter into closed session in accordance with Iowa Code Section 21.5 (1)(c) to discuss strategy with legal counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent and where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the government. White seconded it. On roll call the vote was AYES: Voigts, White, Smith, Forbush, Rozga. NAYS: none. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motioncarried unanimously.

At 6:40 PM Rozga moved to exit the closed session seconded by White. On roll call the vote was AYES: Voigts, White, Smith, Forbush, Rozga. NAYS: none. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

At 6:41 PM Rozga moved to enter into closed session in accordance with Iowa Code Section 388.9(1) to discuss marketing and pricing strategies and proprietary information of the telecommunications division whose competitive position will be harmed by public disclosure that is not required of potential or actual competitors and no public purpose is served by such disclosure. Voigts seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: White, Smith, Forbush, Rozga, Voigts. NAYS: none. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

At 7:06 PM Voigts moved to exit the closed session seconded by White. On roll call, the vote was AYES: White, Smith, Forbush, Rozga, Voigts. NAYS: none. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Voigts moved to adjourn at 7:06 PM and Rozga seconded it. Question was called for on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

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Lori Smith, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Cassandra Mosher,
Deputy City Clerk