



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

March 13, 2023

5:30 PM

City Hall Council Chambers

110 N 1st St. Indianola, IA

Minutes

Call to Order

The Indianola Municipal Utilities Board of Trustees met in regular session at 5:30 PM on March 13, 2023, in the City Hall Council Chambers. Chairperson Lori Smith called the meeting to order and on roll call the following members were present: Dom Selgrade, Deb White, Lori Smith, Adam Voigts. Absent: Mike Rozga.

Public Comment

There were no public comments offered.

Consent Agenda:

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

- Approval of Claims
- Approval of January 2023 Financial Report
- Approval of Minutes of the prior board meeting
- Resolution setting a public hearing for April 10, 2023, regarding an amendment to the Fiscal Year 23 budget.
- Resolution setting a public hearing for March 27, 2023, regarding proposed water utility rate increases.
- Resolution setting a public hearing for March 27, 2023, regarding proposed telecommunication rate increases.

Electric Utility Action Items

White moved to approve IMU's Reliability Plan and Voigts seconded it. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Electric Utility Informational Items

Electric Superintendent Mike Metcalf reported staff is working on the Turbine 8 project and preparing for the next phase of the Streetscape Reconstruction Project.

Water Utility Informational Items

Interim Water Superintendent Justin Brand reported staff has completed plant maintenance and is preparing for the next phase of the Streetscape Reconstruction Project.

Communications Utility Informational Items

Telecommunications Director Kurt Ripperger reported work on the NOFA project is proceeding but the Pella Route project has been delayed due to weather.

Combined Electric, Water and Communications Action Items

White moved to approve utility accounts to be written off and to use any customary collection method, including submission to the state offset program, and to charge any applicable collection fees. Selgrade seconded it. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Combined Electric, Water and Communications Informational Items

Indianola Chamber of Commerce President Amanda Zwanziger presented information to the Trustees about the Chamber and how the two entities can work together.

Other Business

Utility Billing Supervisor Elisha Brown explained to the Trustees the benefits of attending the United Way Re-Integration Simulation.

White moved to enter into closed session at 6:15 PM 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. Selgrade seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Selgrade, White, Smith, Voigts. NAYS: None. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Voigts and seconded by White at 6:35 PM to exit the closed session. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Selgrade, White, Smith, Voigts. NAYS: None. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously. No action was taken on items discussed in closed session.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:36 PM on a motion by White and seconded by Selgrade. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Lori Smith, Chairperson

ATTEST:

Jackie Raffety, City Clerk