IMU BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE ELECTRIC, WATER AND COMMUNICATIONS UTILITIES
July 10, 2023
Minutes

Call to Order
The Indianola Municipal Utilities Board of Trustees met in regular session at 5:30 PM on July 10, 2023, in the IMU Boardroom. Chairperson Lori Smith called the meeting to order and on roll call the following members were present: Dom Selgrade, Deb White, Lori Smith, Mike Rozga, Adam Voigts.

Public Comment
There were no public comments offered.

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

- Approval of June 27, 2023 Claims
- Approval of July 10, 2023 Claims
- Approval of May 2023 Financial Report
- Approval of Minutes of the prior meetings

Electric Utility Informational Items
Electric Superintendent Mike Metcalf left the meeting at 5:30 for an electric emergency. Water Superintendent Justin Brand included some electric updates with his updates on the streetscape progress.

Water Utility Action Items
White moved to approve Resolution 2023-031 approving the purchase of 2023 Half Ton Crew Cab for the Water Department, and Selgrade seconded it. In discussion, Water Superintendent Justin Brand detailed the trade-in comparison and included upgrade options and determined that the best value was the Ford from Karl Ford for $26,690.00, which falls below the $30,000 previously budgeted for the new truck. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Selgrade, White, Smith, Rozga, Voigts. NAYS: None. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Water Utility Informational Items
Water Superintendent Justin Brand stated the department is continuing work on the Square

Reconstruction, and the west alley portion of the project has been moved to the 2024 construction season. The water department has one large concrete pour left to complete and are short staffed, due to summer vacations.

Communications Utility Informational Items
Communications Superintendent Kurt Ripperger gave updates on NewCom/NOFA 7 and Pella Transport Project.

Combined Electric, Water and Communications Utility Action Items
Rozga moved to approve Resolution 2023-032 approving liability, auto, property, worker's compensation and machinery and equipment replacement insurance for Fiscal Year 24, and Selgrade seconded it. In discussion, Brad Bengston of TrueNorth and Weinman Insurance, presented information on the policies. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Selgrade, White, Smith, Rozga, Voigts. NAYS: None. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Selgrade moved to approve Resolution 2023-033 approving an MOU and application for State Setoff Program, and Voigts seconded it. In discussion, General Manager Chris Des Planques explained that the State Department handling the setoff program had changed, and the memorandum of understanding was to authorize our participation with the Department of Revenue. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Selgrade, White, Smith, Rozga, Voigts. NAYS: None. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

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, and Rozga seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Selgrade, White, Smith, Rozga, Voigts. NAYS: None. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Selgrade moved to approve Resolution 2023-034 approving joint representation with Waverly Utilities, the City of Carlisle and IMU with Ahlers & Cooney for MEAN negotiations, and White seconded it. In discussion, Des Planques explained the advantages and cost breakdown. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Selgrade, White, Smith, Rozga, Voigts. NAYS: None. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

Combined Electric, Water and Communications Informational Items
The presentation from Municipal Energy Agency of Nebraska was moved to the end of the meeting, where Carol Brehm presented the Schedule M proposal.

Other Business
Selgrade moved enter into closed session at 6:52 p.m. 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. White seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Selgrade, White, Smith, Rozga, Voigts. NAYS: None. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

At 7:13 p.m., Rozga moved to exit the closed session and Voigts seconded it. On roll call, the vote was AYES: Selgrade, White, Smith, Rozga, Voigts. NAYS: None. Whereas the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously. No action was taken on items discussed in closed session.

White moved to adjourn at 8:22 p.m. and Selgrade seconded it. Question was called for and on voice vote the Chairperson declared the motion carried unanimously.

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Lori Smith, Chairperson

ATTEST:

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Monica Thompson, Board Secretary