

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

July 11, 2023

IT Barn-205 Carey Street, Kennett, MO 63857

Members Present:

John Robertson
Randy Baker
Towny Sparks
Tony Parr

Others Present:

Jamie Chitester, CEO
Crystal Dennis, CFO
Marty Johnson, COO
Jill Rickman, CHRO
Mark Bryant, Councilman
Dennis Pelts, Councilman

Jake Crafton, Mayor
Terry McVey, City Attorney
Lisa Dry, Councilwoman
James Waynick, Councilman
Steve Panousis, Councilman
Lindsey Freeman, Evergy

Mr. Robertson called the meeting to order and presented the agenda for approval. Mr. Sparks made a motion to approve the agenda. Mr. Parr seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Solar Presentation: Lindsey Freeman from Evergy provided a presentation of solar generation for CLGW. No action was taken. Mr. Robertson asked that solar generation discussion be added to the next meeting agenda.

The June 27, 2023 meeting minutes were presented. Mr. Baker made a motion to approve all minutes as presented. Mr. Parr seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

The May 2023 preliminary financials were presented. No action was required.

Chief Operating Officer Updates:

The Water Treatment Plant received a \$24,000 grant for fluoride equipment.

The Gas Department is making an application for a PHMSA grant that is due July 24th.

The Water/Sewer Department replaced two hydrants and repaired one water main break.

The Power Plant ran three hours due to high energy prices.

Mr. Johnson shared that one test well bid was received and one company received an extension.

Chief Executive Officer Updates:

Engineering plans have been submitted to MDNR for Commercial Street and the ground storage tank water line projects.

Staff met with MSHS about natural gas generators.

The American Public Power RP3 application is 50% complete.

Mr. McVey reported that he informed Frey Farms' attorney that we would not agree to arbitration. They requested mediation. Mr. McVey is working to schedule this. If an agreement cannot be reached through mediation, then a trial would be the next step.

CLGW will be submitting an agreement to the City of Kennett to provide IT services. The agreement is being reviewed by the City Attorney and MIRMA for comment.

Miscellaneous general:

Ms. Rickman noted that Board members were emailed the proposed updated Employee Handbook that will be presented for approval at the next meeting. She is available to answer any questions.

The next meeting will be held **Tuesday, July 25, 2023 at 11:30 am.**

Closed Session:

A Closed Session meeting was held, pursuant to the Sunshine Law, RSMO 1998, Section 610.021, (3) hiring, firing, disciplining, or promoting of particular employees. Mr. Sparks made a motion to enter closed session. Mr. Parr seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Mr. Baker made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Parr seconded the motion, and all were in favor.

Attest:

Randy Baker

Secretary