

# CWEP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

April 15, 2021

The Carthage Water & Electric Plant Board met in regular session April 15, 2021, 1:00 p.m. at the CWEP Office, 627 W Centennial, Carthage, MO.

**Board:**

- G. Stephen Beimdiek- President
- Danny Lambeth -Vice President
- Ron Ross -Secretary
- Alan Snow -Liaison

- Brian Schmidt - Member
- Pat Goff – Member
- Darren Collier - Member

**Staff:**

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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chuck Bryant-General Manager           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jason Choate-Director of Water Services    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cassandra Ludwig-General Counsel       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kelli Nugent/CFO                           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jason Peterson-Director IT & Broadband | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kevin Emery-Director of Power Services     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Megan Stump- Executive Assistant       | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stephanie Howard-Director of Business & ED |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Megan Milliken-Customer Relations Mgr. |  |

President Beimdiek called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

**ADDITIONS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:**

General Manager Bryant introduced newer employees: Clint Myers- Electrical Technician A; David Lipscomb- Field Service Representative

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion by Ross and seconded by Lambeth to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of March 18, 2021 as presented, passed unanimously.

**APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS:**

A motion by Lambeth and seconded by Goff to approve disbursements for March in the amount of \$3,586,498.81, passed unanimously.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

CFO Nugent presented the financials for March noting that the net income for the company exceeded budget for the month and year to date by \$3,439,396 and \$5,409,817, respectively. Operating revenues for the company exceeded budget and prior year for the month and year to date. Expenses were lower than budget for the month and year to date primarily due to the

Electric department. This is a direct result of the revenue collected due to the company being well hedged against the high power prices associated with Winter Storm Uri. She reported that power and water loss percentages for the month were -2.98% and 17.70%, respectively. The year to date are 1.49% and 6.56% for power and water, respectively.

A motion by Goff and seconded by Collier to approve March financials passed unanimously.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None.

**CITIZENS PARTICIPATION PERIOD:** None.

**OLD BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**CONSIDERATION OF RETIREMENT RESOLUTION FY 2020-21-07 FOR GENE BRUFFETT**

General Manager Bryant recognized the upcoming retirement of Powerplant Dispatcher Gene Bruffett, reading a resolution in his honor. GM Bryant thanked Bruffett for his 17 years of faithful service. Bruffett expressed his appreciation to the board and the company.

A motion by Ross and seconded by Goff to approve the retirement resolution for Gene Bruffett, passed unanimously.

**RECOMMENDATION FOR THE TUCK-POINTING PROJECT ON EAST SIDE OF CENTENNIAL COMPLEX**

General Manager Bryant noted a form invitation was issued seeking qualified masonry contractors to remove and replace deteriorated mortar joints, bricks, and tuck point on the east wall of the Centennial Complex. He noted proposals were received from Baucom Masonry Construction in the amount of \$23,500.00 and Hodkin Masonry Construction for \$30,301.00.

GM Bryant recommends awarding this project to Baucom Masonry Construction in the amount of \$23,500.00, as this company has previously provided quality masonry services to CWEP.

A motion by Lambeth and seconded by Ross to award this project to Baucom Masonry Construction in the amount of \$23,500.00, passed unanimously.

**SELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS FOR 2021-2022**

Goff reported on behalf of the Nominating Committee, presenting a slate of officers for the upcoming year to remain as follows: President- Steve Beimdiek, Vice President- Danny Lambeth, and Secretary- Ron Ross.

A motion by Goff and seconded by Ross to approve the slate of officers as presented passed unanimously with terms to take effect in July 2021.

**CONSIDERATION OF FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET**

General Manager Bryant and staff presented a budget draft for fiscal year 2021-2022. Board members discussed rates, ongoing infrastructure needs, major items including revenues, operating expenses, capital expenditures and cash reserve projections.

A motion by Ross and seconded by Collier to approve the proposed CWEP Fiscal Year 2021-2022 budget for presentation to the Carthage City Council, passed unanimously.

**STAFF REPORTS:** None.

**BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS:** None.

At 3:39 p.m. the meeting adjourned.

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President – Steve Beimdiek

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Secretary – Ron Ross