



Monroe City Utility Board
Thursday, November 3, 2022, at 10:00 am
MINUTES

1. BUSINESS

a. Consider a motion to approve the minutes of the meeting held May 9, 2022

Board member Anderson moved to approve the minutes of the Utility Board Meeting held May 9, 2022. Board member Mills seconded the motion. A roll call vote was called. Voting yes: Board members Anderson, Monroe, Mills, R.K. Nielson, and Jeff Nielson. The motion carried. 5-0

b. Consider Electric Power Surcharge

Power Foreman Josey Parsons explained to the board that the power industry is seeing unusually high energy costs, and this is affecting Monroe City Power Department budget. Monroe City Power Department is having to purchase power from the open market and over the past few months we have been purchasing power at a significant higher rate than we are currently charging our customers, at times we have been paying more than .12 cents more per kWh than we are charging. These costs are causing the Power Department to lose money every month, and we cannot continue to keep the Power Department going at this rate, and he is hoping today to get some suggested solutions for the Power Department from the Utility Board.

Power Foreman Josey Parsons reviewed with the board that currently Monroe City obtains power from Hunter, CRSP, IPP (which we called all if it back), and PV wind power, and when these sources can not meet our needs then we must buy it on the open market.

The Board members discussed that they understand that with the reduced fuels, whether by drought for water and cutback in coal production the power industry scenario is changing, and we need to plan for the future.

Power Foreman Josey Parsons stated that UAMPS is predicting that prices will level out somewhat, but we need to decide as a board if we want to initiate some type of temporary charge now to help the Power Department recoup some of their losses over the past three months.

Board members discussed options for different type of energy sources for the future but for now they need to determine how to deal with the Power Department deficit. Board member Mills suggested that we do a temporary charge based on an annual basis. City Recorder Allison Leavitt and Power Foreman Josey Parsons were asked to prepare a draft proposal surcharge rate schedule for the Utility Board to review at their next meeting to be held November 8, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.

2. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Utility Board for consideration, Board Member Mills moved the Regular Board Meeting adjourn at 11:16 a.m. The motion was seconded by Board Member Anderson . The vote was unanimous. The motion carried. 5-0

The next Utility Board Meeting is scheduled to be held on , November 8, 2022 starting at 10:00 a.m. at Monroe City Office.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Allison Leavitt", written over a horizontal line.

Allison Leavitt, City Recorder