

**MINUTES OF THE DELANO WATER, LIGHT AND POWER COMMISSION
CITY OF DELANO, COUNTY OF WRIGHT, STATE OF MINNESOTA
WITH ALL ACCOUNTS BEING AUDITED BY SAID COMMISSION
JOINT MEETING
Tuesday July 18th, 2023**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Schrupp and Chairman Mathisen.

2. ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Mayor Holly Schrupp, Becky Schaust, Mike Mathisen

Also present City Administrator Phil Kern, Recorder Bryce Borland, Erik Rheault

DMU Commission Members Present: Chris Link, Mike Mathisen, Larry Bartels

Also present Vince Findley of AEP, Kaela Brennan, Attorney, McGrann Shea Carnival Straughn & Lamb, Chartered, Paul Twite, General Manager, Wendy Neu, Recorder.

3. CMPAS update

A. Mr Twite opened the meeting with a brief introduction of the two topics to discuss, topic one the joint facility and topic two DMU transition.

Ms Brennan presented a recap of the status with CMPAS and the joint decision to depart CMPAS as of May 8th 2019. The Water Light and Power Commission has confirmed the intent to depart from CMPAS. Kaela presented the next steps, recapping the RFP for a Market Participant. After compilation of the returned RFP the Water Light and Power Commission selected AEP as the new Market Participant.

Vince Findley discussed AEP, the 5x16 contract that we currently have with AEP. He discussed moving forward and the need to cover some of our current exposure. AEP is looking to the future and advising on the needs of the utility. There was a discussion on the exit strategy moving forward. AEP will be working with CMPAS directly on the technical MISO data.

There was a motion by Larry Bartels with a second by Chris Link to approve AEP to provide Market Participant services as DMU transitions from membership in CMPAS, subject to negotiating an acceptable agreement with AEP.

Motion Carried

There was a motion by Becky Schaust with a second by Mike Mathisen to fully support the Commission in this decision.

Motion Carried

Mr Kern led a discussion on the Joint Facility Agreement. He noted that the Water Light and Power Commission had requested some updates to language in the agreement. Both Mr Kern and Legal Counsel for the City has reviewed the revisions and feel that it does not change the intent of the agreement and propose the acceptance of the revised agreement.

There was a motion by Chris Link with a second by Mike Mathisen to approve the Facility Agreement.

Motion Carried

There was a motion by Mike Mathisen with a second by Becky Schaust to approve the Facility Agreement.

Motion Carried

Phil Kern Presented City Update:

Council Member Moran's departure has created an opening and the city will be taking applications for the position. The city will take applications for the Water Light and Power Commission in Nov with the appointment to start in Jan.

Paul Twite Presented DMU Update:

Tenant improvements to the joint facility and the Utility issuing a revenue bond. The most urgent need for the utility currently is a bucket truck. DMU has found one that is available immediately.

There being no further business before the body the meeting was adjourned at 6:36.



Mike Mathisen, Chairman



Larry Bartels, Commissioner