# 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 Monday, May 15th 2023

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Mike Mathisen, Commission Chair

## 2. ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken, and a quorum established.

Members Present:

Mike Mathisen, Chair

Larry Bartels, Commissioner Betsy Moran, Commissioner Nick Willing, Vice-Chair Chris Link, Commissioner

Staff Present:

Paul Twite, General Manager

Wendy Neu, Recorder Taylor Porter, Recorder Lance Lauinger, CLA

#### 3. AGENDA

A. There was a motion by Nick Willing with a second by Betsy Moran to approve the agenda.

Motion Carried

## 4. FINANCIALS

A. Lance Lauinger presented the financials for the month of April 2023.

#### 5. Minutes

A. There was a motion by Larry Bartels with a second by Chris Link to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**Motion Carried** 

- 6. POWER COST ADJUSTMENT (No motion or approval necessary or required.)
- A. Review the Power Cost Adjustment for April 2023, billing of .000.

## 7. Staff Update

- A. CIP (Conservation Improvement Update)
  - Wendy Neu discussed the reporting year of 2022 will be sent to the state by June 1st. The
    Conservation Improvement Plan is a state mandated program. The annual goal of 1.5% kWh savings
    is based on a rolling three-year average not to include the immediate prior year. If we continue to
    meet the kWh savings goal, we will not need to meet the 1.5% spend goal moving forward.

# B. General Manager Report

Paul Twite presented updates on the below:

- Review of the bid tally along with one of the submitted proposals. The submitted proposal was used an example of what we are seeing from the respondents
- Discussion on the departure from CMPAS and plans moving forward
- Discussed the Citizens Academy Tours that were conducted at both the Water and Electric Plant location
- Gen 9- CO2 fire suppression has been removed and the new system will be complete in the coming weeks. DMU is having a hard time finding a fuel filter for replacement of existing holder, we can find a replacement filter unit for roughly \$7,000.

There was a motion by Nick Willing with a second by Betsy Moran to approve the purchase of a new fuel filter system for Gen 9 in the amount of \$7,000:

#### Motion Carried

# 8. Commissioners Report

Betsy Moran discussed the road projects that will be completed this summer.

### 9. Unfinished Business

## A. Summer Help update

We have received two applications, with the ad to run for two more weeks.

B. Approve the Request for Action selecting Stantec for the Water RFP

There was a discussion on the scope of work to be covered and the factors considered to determine the appointed RFP company.

There was a motion by Larry Bartels with a second by Nick Willing to approve the Water RFP award to Stantec.

### Motion Carried

## 10. New Business

A. Motion to Approve Observation of the Juneteenth Holiday

There was a motion by Betsy Moran with a second by Chris Link to approve the observation of the Juneteenth Holiday in alignment with the city.

## Motion Carried

# B. Motion to Approve M&P Underground Quote

Mr. Twite provided a recap on the project that will work towards completing the loop through McKinley. This phase will cover the Legion to the Movie Theatre on Hwy 12.

There was a motion by Larry Bartels with a second by Betsy Moran to approve the M &P bid in the amount of \$132,978.92 to complete the scope of work described.

#### Motion Carried

## C. Joint Resolution on Electric Fee Structure

The joint resolution is a restructuring of Electric, Sewer, and Water fees. This fee structure is scheduled to be in place until Dec 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023, or until otherwise amended prior to that date by both parties.

There was a motion by Nick Willing with a second by Larry Bartels to approve the Joint Resolution Restructure.

Motion Carried

#### 11. Claims

A. There was a motion by Chris Link with a second by Nick Willing to approve claims for the month of April 2023 in the amount of \$842,150.30.

Motion Carried

# 12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Mike Mathisen, Chair

Larry Bartels, Secretary