

TELL CITY ELECTRIC DEPARTMENT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
June 21, 2022

The Tell City Electric Department Board of Directors met at 4:00 P.M. All members were present. Mr. Land presided.

General Manager Andy Hicks was in attendance as was Paige Schank for the Department. No further guests were in attendance.

The Agenda was presented to the Board in written form. Mr. Hicks noted the Executive session can be removed from the Agenda as it was included to discuss the Cost of Service Study Results, which was passed by the Board at the Special Meeting on June 15, 2022. He also requested to add item E under New Business – PCDC Tenant at 601 Main Street. A motion was made by Mr. Daum and seconded by Mr. Malone to approve the Agenda as amended. Motion passed 6-0.

Minutes from the May 17, 2022 meeting were presented in written form. Being no corrections, Mr. Kohnert made a motion to approve the minutes, Mr. Poole seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Committees

Human Resources: Mr. Hicks reported that Mr. Kaufman is doing well in his internship with the Department. He is staying busy and learning from the outside crews. He will be completing his first APPA milestone essay this month, to provide APPA information on the work he is performing/observing.

Financial Matters: Mrs. Schank noted that the down payment for the Southwest Substation transformer was paid for out of the regular checking account, and did not require a transfer from the reserves. Cash being held in the checking account for the bucket truck (first approved in the 2019 budget) was used for this purchase. Altec has pushed the delivery of the bucket truck back, once again, another 6 months to March 2023. Altec informed the Department that they are having significant delays in getting parts for the trucks and currently is looking at three year lead times if a truck is ordered in 2022. The Financial Reports, Working Fund Report, Liquidity Report and Docket were presented and discussed. Ms. Nance motioned to approve the reserve transfers to the four reserve accounts: \$55,500.00 to the Operating Reserve, \$11,250.00 to the Expansion Reserve, \$1,700.00 to the Waupaca Substation Reserve and \$9,993.47 to the Loan Liquidation Reserve and the Docket. Mr. Daum seconded and the motion passed 6-0.

Strategic Planning:

i. Southwest Substation Update: As mentioned above, the down payment for the transformer was paid during the month of June. The Department will continue to receive invoices for the transformer as the agreed upon work criteria is met. Spectrum has the breakers for the substation out for bid, due July 12th. The Department will have the pricing for the breakers at the July 19th Board meeting. Additionally, final building plans are scheduled to be completed within the next month.

Current Business

a. Power Supply Report: A copy of the monthly report was distributed. The Department's cost per kWh in May is \$0.077392, Jasper's is \$0.0889460, Huntingburg's is \$0.0881130 and Troy's is \$0.0846310. A monthly comparison of charges from TCED and SIP to Waupaca Foundry Inc. was presented for the

Board's review for the month of May consumption. TCED's cost to Waupaca for the May consumption (due in June) invoice was higher than SIP's charge to Waupaca by approximately \$22,000.

Guest, Julie Dixon with the Department arrived.

b. 2022 Cost of Service Study Update: Mr. Feltner with The Prime Group presented the Cost of Service Study to the City Council at the June 20, 2022 meeting. Mr. Hicks invited all councilmembers to meet with him prior to the meeting. Two council members did meet prior to the presentation. The Ordinance for the revised rates and charges were provided to the Councilmembers on June 21, 2022 for their review. The Ordinance will be included on the July City Council Agenda.

New Business

a. Approve the City of Tell City's usage of \$1,680.53 from the IMPA Street Light Grant for LED lights for the Street Department: The City has requested usage of the IMPA Street Light Grant funds for LED lighting at the Street Department garage in the amount of \$1,680.53. There is currently over \$13,000 in the grant that is available for appropriation. Motion to approve the City's use of the grant funds was given by Mr. Kohnert and seconded by Mr. Daum. Motion passed 6-0.

b. Transfer of \$2,773.93 from IMPA Street Light Grant Reserve to Regular Checking Account for 2022 Energy Efficiency Uses: Energy efficient purchases were made by TCED and the City of Tell City, utilizing the funds from the IMPA Street Light Reserve. Purchases included Sunset Park lighting, The City's Street Department garage lighting, and LED lights for the TCED night drop canopy for a total of \$2,773.93. Additionally, there is \$10,488.75 worth of outstanding purchase orders for lights at City Hall and Sunset Parks that have been ordered for over two years, that we are anticipating an invoice for this month. Motion to transfer the funds was given by Mr. Kohnert and seconded by Mr. Daum. Motion passed 6-0. After this transfer and the outstanding purchase orders, the Grant funding stands at just over \$12,000 remaining.

c. Resolution R220621A Uncollectible Accounts: A motion was made by Mr. Malone and seconded by Mr. Daum to approve the Resolution presented for uncollectible accounts in the amount of \$8,607.05. Motion passed 6-0.

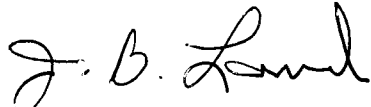
d. Approval of Payment in Lieu of Taxes Due to City: The Board was provided a handout with the calculations for the 2021 Payment in Lieu of Taxes due 2022. The amount due came in slightly lower than was estimated, based upon a tax rate of \$1.3256. Ms. Nance made a motion to approve payment of \$159,164.90 to the City of Tell City as Payment in Lieu of Taxes. Mr. Malone seconded and the motion passed 6-0. Mrs. Schank noted that she had outstanding questions with the State Board of Accounts regarding if the Department is required to pay PILOT on assets located outside of City limits. Depending on their response, we will adjust the next year's calculation accordingly.

e. PCDC Tenant 601 Main St: The Perry County Development Corporation has been a long-term tenant of the 601 Main Street building, suite A. They were given the opportunity to relocation into the old German American building, now owned by the City. PCDC and their Board has requested to remain at 601 Main Street, but they are outgrowing their current suite. The Department has communicated with PCDC various remodeling options that could take place at 601 Main. If PCDC relocates to the right side of the building, TCED would have the left side as our own. This would allow PCDC, or any future tenant, to have access to an outside door. Currently, suite A has no outside access. This is extremely inconvenient to the tenants of that suite. The Department feels because of this, Suite A will be hard to rent out of PCDC moves. Plans within a remodel will also allow for safety features for the Department to be implemented regarding the access to the staff and the front counter. If a remodel takes place, the

Board would need to discuss a long-term contract with PCDC to ensure the cost of the remodel is recouped over time. The Department wanted to put the situation in front of the Board, prior to looking into engineering firms to assist with the renovations and provide a quote. Ms. Nance suggested the Department contact Universal Design out of Ferdinand.

Other Business

There being no other business, Mr. Daum made a motion at 4:27 P.M. to adjourn. Mr. Poole seconded; the motion passed 6-0.



J.B. Land, Chairman



Bob Kohnert, Secretary

