**WATER AND LIGHT COMMISSION MINUTES**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**JUNE 16, 2025**

The regular meeting of the Water and Light Commission was called to order in the Worthington Public Utilities Conference Room at 3:00 p.m. by President Debra Weg, with the following members present: Kathy Hayenga, Mike Fury, and Amy Ernst. Chad Nixon was absent (excused).

Staff members present were Scott Hain, General Manager; Eric Roos, Utility Coordinator; and Kristy Taylor, Secretary to the Commission

Others present: None

**AGENDA ADDITIONS/CLOSURE**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hayenga, seconded by Commissioner Fury, and unanimously carried to close the agenda as presented.

**CONSENT AGENDA APPROVED**

A motion was made by Commissioner Fury, seconded by Commissioner Hayenga, and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda as follows:

* Water and Light Commission minutes of the regular meeting held on May 19, 2025
* Staff reports for May
* Utility bills payable totaling $417,450.86 for May 23, May 30, June 6, and June 13, 2025

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND SALES REPORTS**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hayenga, seconded by Commissioner Fury, and unanimously carried to accept the financial statements and sales reports for May.

**POSITION RECLASSIFICATION**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hayenga, seconded by Commissioner Fury, and carried to approve the reclassification of the Customer Service Supervisor position from Exempt Grade 4 to Exempt Grade 5.

**WPU STAFFING**

General Manager Hain reviewed the current WPU staffing levels and related information with the Commission.

**SEWER RATE DETERMINATION SPREADSHEET UPDATE**

General Manager Hain reviewed the updated spreadsheet with the Commission, which complies with the current ordinance.

**LEWIS & CLARK ANNUAL MEETING**

Lewis & Clark will be holding its 34th annual meeting on Thursday, June 26, 2025, at the Hilton Garden Inn – South in Sioux Falls, SD. A discussion was held on attending the meeting.

**MARSHALL SOLAR TOURS**

Missouri River Energy Services (MRES) is offering member tours of the recently commissioned Marshall Solar + project. Currently scheduled tour opportunities include July 10, August 14, and September 11 at either 10:00 a.m. or 1:00 p.m.; each tour is anticipated to last 60-90 minutes. A discussion was held on attending the tours.

**COMMISSION COMMITTEE REPORTS**

Commissioner Ernst attended the EDA meeting that was held on June 13, 2025.

Commissioner Weg attended the MRES Ambassador Program meeting.

**GENERAL MANAGER REPORT**

General Manager Hain inquired whether the Commission had any additional thoughts or questions following the discussion regarding potential participation in funding a new ice arena that occurred at the last regular Commission meeting. Mr. Hain was directed to further explore possible funding scenarios.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Commissioner Hayenga, seconded by Commissioner Fury, and unanimously carried to adjourn the meeting at 4:35 P.M. President Weg declared the meeting adjourned.

Kristy Taylor

Secretary to the Commission