

MINUTES



**Blue Earth Light and Water
Board Meeting Group
BELW Board Meeting
Monday, June 13, 2016, 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm
BELW Board Room**

A. Call to Order

The meeting was "Called to Order" at 5:00 pm. The meeting was held in the office of Blue Earth Light and Water

B. Meeting Attendance

Board Members Present: Lars Bierly, Bernie Kriewall, Mark Loge, Tim Juba

Members Absent: Dan Mensing

Staff Present: Laurie Oelke, Tim Stoner

Council Liaison: Dan Warner

C. Employment Issue - Closed meeting

Jana Sullivan, LMC Attorney will discuss current employment issue

The Meeting was closed,

Discussion on pending litigation, Attorney client privilege

Move: Mark Loge Second: Tim Juba Status: Passed

1. Closed meeting re-opened

Move: Mark Loge Second: Tim Juba Status: Passed

D. General Reports

E. Public Forum and Correspondence

F. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

The Board approved the meeting minutes from the BELW Board meeting held on May 9th.

Attachment: 2016-06-01

Move: Mark Loge Second: Bernie Kriewall Status: Passed

G. Approve Minutes from Joint City Council and Board of Public Works meeting May 9th, 2016

The Board approved the meeting minutes from the joint audit review with the City Council and Board of Public Works meeting held on May 9th.

Attachment: 2016-06-02

Move: Mark Loge Second: Tim Juba Status: Passed

H. Financial Review

The Board reviewed the April financials, including balance sheet and Income statements for Water and Electric Departments, the two funds are on schedule and have no significant items to note.

I. Review Monthly Power Cost Adjustment

The Board reviewed the May billing

J. Approval of Accounts Payable

The Board reviewed and approved by mail the May 2016 Accounts Payable totaling \$615,415. Large accounts include \$287,500 for

Energy/Capacity and Transmission. \$20,915 for water department maintenance.

Attachment: 2016-06-03

K. Review of Project Status

The Board reviewed the Project Status -

Fiber Project - install of fiber is complete, waiting on Bevcomm to terminate

North Main - Lighting have been received, starting after July 4th Holiday

Main Street -Lighting and Watermain is progressing as planned.

L. Review of Outage Reports

The Board reviewed the outage report

M. Approval of Collection/Write off Activity

Collection report to be delivered at meeting

The Board reviewed and approved the Collection and Write-off report as presented.

Attachment: 2016-06-04

Move: Mark Loge Second: Tim Juba Status: Passed

N. New Business

1. Main Street Water Main Financing

Minnesota Rural Water Association presented a similar financing package that allows a 15 year term.

In summary, The Board reviewed the Financing option for the 2016 Main Street, Watermain project. The available financing is in

partnership with the MN Rural Water Association "Micro Loan Program" The funding terms allows the project to be financed over ten years.

MOTION: Member Juba moved to adopt Resolution entitled "Resolution Regarding a General Obligation Utility Revenue Note, Series 2016A of City of Blue Earth, Minnesota" resolution number 2016-06-01

SECOND: Member Loge

Complete Resolution Attachment: 2016-06-05

2. Summer Help

6 weeks \$11.00 an hour/ \$2640

The Board reviewed the request for a summer help position, the position will be paid \$11.00 an hour for 6 weeks starting the first full week of July 2016.

Move: Mark Loge Second: Bernie Kriewall Status: Passed

3. Community Solar/ Interconnect Agreement

The Board reviewed and approved a 40kw or less "Interconnect Agreement" for distributed generation applications.

Attachment; 2016-06-06

O. Meeting Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm

Move: Bernie Kriewall Second: Mark Loge Status: Passed