

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ROCKWOOD WATER, WASTEWATER & NATURAL GAS BOARD**

February 28, 2022 @ 5:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order at the Rockwood Electric Utility Conference Room at 5:00 P.M. with Chairman Loren Bone presiding. Commissioners Mark Clem and Jeff Penley were present; Commissioners Bobby Anderson and Joe Moore were absent.

Public Comment: None.

Approval of January Minutes: Commissioner Clem made a motion to approve the minutes as presented and Commissioner Penley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

Approval of January financials: Joan Kerley reported that water and sewer revenues for January were \$363,360; expenses were \$218,092. Year to date, water and sewer expenses exceeded revenue by \$18,774. Gas operating revenues totaled \$512,529; operating expenses not including the cost of gas were \$72,465. Year to date, gas expenses exceeded revenue by \$97,850. Commissioner Penley made a motion to accept the financials as presented and Commissioner Clem seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

General Manager's Report: Kim Ramsey Leffew noted that her report is included in the agenda items.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. **I&I report:** The Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Program is scheduled to wrap up at the end of March and we can then apply for a CDBG to proceed with the rehab.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. **Consideration and approval of contract for Building Projects – Jenkins and Stiles:** The Board voted last month to proceed with the financial plan if the project costs no more than \$8M. The contract has been lowered to \$7,360,864 with cost of testing, architectural oversight, network installations, and furnishings an additional \$267,000. This leaves a contingency of \$372,000 which meets the 5% requirement. Commissioner Clem made a motion to approve the contract contingent on attorney approval with Chairman Bone's signature; Ms. Leffew will sign the letter of intent. Commissioner Penley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- b. **Consideration and approval of contract for AMI Meter System – ECCO:** The contract, not to exceed \$1,812,001, has been returned to ECCO with comments from our attorney. The major change is that the contract will be between our Board and ECCO instead of the City. There will be three collection towers installed as well as the meter system. There will likely be a need for an additional tower or repeaters but that where and when will be decided at a later date. Commissioner Clem made a motion to

approve the contract and to authorize Chairman Bone to sign and Commissioner Penley seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- c. **Consideration and approval of quarterly collection list:** The list, totaling \$1,575.30 was presented to be written off and submitted to the collection agency. Commissioner Penley made a motion to approve and Commissioner Clem seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

After a brief communication from board members, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 PM by motion of Commissioner Penley and second by Commissioner Clem.

Loren Bone, Chairman

Joan Kerley, Secretary