

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Eldridge Electric and Water Utility Board was called to order at 5:01 P.M. on March 5, 2024, at Eldridge City Hall.

Board members present were Paula Steward, Barb O'Brien, Jeff Hamilton, Jim Skadal, and Craig Gehrls via phone. Brock Kroeger was present, seated in the gallery and abstained from all business. Also, present Jacob Rowe and Jody Coffman. Visitors Frank King, Nevada Lemke, Jeff Martens, Scott Campbell, Mark Rildofi, Collin Wilson, Tate Olsen, Ryan Iossi, Karl Nissen, Sara Nissen, and Marty O'Boyle.

Vice Chair Skadal made a statement recognizing Gehrls as present but his seat under legal litigation.

Public Comment- Brock Kroeger stated that he was present and would abstain from voting.

Motion by Steward, second by O'Brien to approve the agenda. All ayes.

Motion by Steward, second by O'Brien to approve the minutes from February 20, 2024. Roll call vote O'Brien, aye. Hamilton, aye. Gehrls, aye. Steward, aye. Skadal, aye. Motion passed.

FINANCIAL – Motion by Skadal to approve bills payable in the amount of \$95,977.45, second by O'Brien. Roll call vote O'Brien, aye. Hamilton, aye. Gehrls, aye. Steward, aye. Skadal, aye. Motion passed.

Resolution 2024-03 E&W Depositories was tabled.

Resolution 2024-05 E&W Bank Authorized Signer was tabled.

ELECTRIC – Rowe gave an update on the PCA. The PCA looks like it will be a credit for the first time in two years.

Rowe talked about the IUB Reliability Plan. Steward made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-04 E&W Reliability Plan, second by O'Brien. Roll call vote O'Brien, aye. Hamilton, aye. Gehrls, aye. Steward, aye. Skadal, aye. Motion passed.

Department update: The electric crew finished the punch list for the tree trimmers, and have been working a pole replacement at N 2nd and Donahue St.

WATER- Water test samples were taken 2/13/24 at 8 locations. All passed.

Department update: The water main pressure test for RILCO on S. 16th Ave failed and will have to be retaken. Rowe and Powell had a kickoff meeting with KLM for the water tower repair, Well 3 maintenance has started and a HS #1 motor failed at well 1 and has been sent in for repair.

ADMINISTRATION- Resolution 2024-06 Clerk Duties was tabled.

The Trustees considered applying for an EIN number. O'Brien made a motion for the Utility Manager to move forward with applying for the EIN number, second by Steward. Roll call vote O'Brien, aye. Hamilton, aye. Gehrls, aye. Steward, aye. Skadal, aye. Motion passed.

The Budget discussion was tabled until the next meeting.

Rowe gave the Trustees copies of three handbooks to review, and they will have a discussion at a later meeting.

Department update: None

Motion by Steward to adjourn the meeting at 5:42 P.M., second by O'Brien. All ayes.