

The regular meeting of the Eldridge Electric and Water Utility Board was called to order at 5:00 P.M. on April 4, 2023, at Eldridge City Hall.

Board members present were Brock Kroeger, Mike Anderson, and Jim Skadal. Paula Steward and Barb O'Brien were absent. Also, present Jake Rowe and Jody Coffman. No visitors.

Public Comment- None

Motion by Skadal, second by Anderson to approve the agenda All ayes.

Motion by Anderson, second by Skadal to approve the minutes from March 21, 2023. All ayes.

FINANCIAL – Motion by Kroeger to approve bills payable in the amount of \$118,003.20, second by Anderson. All ayes.

ELECTRIC – Rowe presented a Rate Study to the Board for review. They are going to discuss this further at another meeting.

The Board had a discussion about Lineman wages and bringing them in line with other cities our size. After a discussion it was decided that more discussion and information is needed and will be put on another agenda.

There were three outages. 3/25/23, 319 W. Davenport St. from 9am to 9:15am the cause was a broken neutral and the service line, 2 customers were affected. 3/25/23, 437 N. 5<sup>th</sup> Pl from 11am to 11:30am the cause was a branch on a primary line, 39 customers affected. 3/27/23, 302 S. 8<sup>th</sup> St. from 10:30am to 11:00 am, the cause was a bad underground service, 1 customer affected.

Department update: The Sheridan Dr. line rebuild was completed. We are waiting on Mediacom to transfer over to the new poles so we can remove the old poles. Bortec bored a new cable under W Pinehurst Dr. to replace the cable that AE Underground hit a few weeks ago. The guys spiced and terminated the cable and put it back in service. The crew also fixed the bad underground service at 302 S. 8<sup>th</sup> St.

WATER- The Park Board asked if they were able to tap into the water main to install a dog fountain. The Board was fine with them doing that.

Bids were presented to the Board for the Water Plant Skadal made a motion to accept the bids, with a second by Anderson, all ayes.

Water testing was done 3/13 and 3/14 at locations, all passed.

There was a water main break on 3/31/23 at 120 N. 1<sup>st</sup> St. Valley Construction hit a water service during road construction. Valves were shut down at 1<sup>st</sup> and Davenport St while the repair was made. This affected two customers and lasted 2.5 hours. Estimated water loss was 13,656 gallons.

Department update: The crew replaced the light on top of the new tower. A notice to flush hydrants will go out this week and we will begin our spring hydrant flushing on April 10<sup>th</sup>.

ADMINISTRATION-Rowe gave the Board a copy of the audit for their information.

Department update: The Form A-Tax Report was submitted to the IDR. Jacob attended the IPPA annual meeting on March 22, 2023. Stanly consultant is working on completing our arc flash study and CIP project. Jacob is working with Allen Bonderman to complete the attachment O document that will be submitted to MISO on April 15th.

Motion by Anderson to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 P.M., second by Skadal. All ayes.

Jody Coffman  
Billing Clerk