

AUSTIN UTILITIES

MINUTES OF MEETING

4:00 pm November 13th, 2018

Regular Meeting

Geoff Baker

Date

Presiding Officer

Members Present:

Steve Greenman, Commissioner
Geoff Baker, Commissioner
Jeanne Sheehan, Commissioner
Tom Baudler, Commissioner

Others Present:

Mark Nibaur, General Manager
Alex Bumgardner, Energy Resources & Utility Op. Dir.
Kim Duncomb, Support Services Director
Ann Christianson, Finance Manager
Todd Jorgenson, Gas & Water Operations Director

Members Absent:

Tyler Hulsebus, President

Vice President Geoff Baker called the meeting to order. Tyler Hulsebus was absent.

Moved by Tom Baudler, seconded by Jeanne Sheehan, to approve the meeting agenda. Approved unanimously.

Moved by Steve Greenman, seconded by Jeanne Sheehan, to approve the regular meeting minutes of October 9th, 2018. Approved unanimously.

Moved by Tom Baudler, seconded by Steve Greenman, to approve the disbursements summary, accounts payable list, additional bills and expenses, and authorize warrants to be drawn for their payment. Approved unanimously.

Mark Nibaur, General Manager, and Ann Christianson, Finance Manager, presented the proposed 2019 Budget and rate adjustments. SMMPA passed a 4.0% rate decrease beginning in February 2019 which will allow a reduction in AU's purchase cost adjustment providing a 1.9% average decrease for residential and business customers on their electric costs. Natural gas costs would see no change due in part to the pre-pay contract with BP. Water rates would increase 2.9% for residential and business customers and 4.9% for industrial. Ellis well house improvements and a reduction in usage from the industrial class are major reasons for the increase. The budget committee had previously reviewed the proposed budget. Commissioner Baker said it was a good, clean budget. The Board also reviewed the draft news release explaining the rate adjustments. Moved by Jeanne Sheehan, seconded by Tom Baudler, to approve the budget and corresponding rate adjustments as presented. Approved unanimously.

New 2019 rate tariffs associated with the rate adjustment for water were reviewed. Moved by Tom Baudler, seconded by Jeanne Sheehan, to approve the rate tariffs as presented. Approved unanimously.

Mark Nibaur, General Manager, also updated the Board on the following:

- SMMPA minutes
- Safety Committee minutes
- Memo to City on annexation
- Retirement of Randy Judd
- Large Customer meeting Dec. 5th
- Commissioner election results

The next regular Board meeting was scheduled for 4:00 pm, December 11th, 2018.

Moved by Jeanne Sheehan, seconded by Tom Baudler, to adjourn the meeting. Approved unanimously. Adjourned 5:01 pm.

President

Secretary