

## CEDARBURG LIGHT & WATER COMMISSION

September 19, 2022

The regular monthly meeting of the Cedarburg Light & Water Commission was held on Monday, September 19, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the utility office.

Call to order by President Blaine Hilgendorf

Roll Call: Present – Joseph Dorr, Blaine Hilgendorf, Tim Larson, Andy Moss, David Pagel, Paul Radtke, City Council Member Patricia Thome  
Also Present – New General Manager Ben Collins, Administrative Manager Mari Lauer, Water Superintendent Tim Martin, and General Manager Emeritus Dale Lythjohan

### STATEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The Statement of Public Notice was read, and it was acknowledged that the agenda for this meeting was posted and distributed in compliance with the Wisconsin Open Meetings Law.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 15, 2022 were read and approved on a motion by Patricia Thome, seconded by Joe Dorr. Motion carried.

### VOUCHER SUMMARY FOR AUGUST

Accounts Payable, ACH, & Wire Transfers	\$2,128,655.00
Payroll	<u>80,430.00</u>
Total Vouchers	\$ 2,209,085.00

### BANK BALANCE FOR AUGUST

8/1/22 Balance Available	\$ 204,395.31
+ Deposits	2,255,795.99
- Checks and Other Debits	<u>1,902,828.69</u>
8/31/22 Available Balance	\$ 557,362.61

### REVENUE ITEMS FOR AUGUST

kWh Sold –10,241,921	\$ 1,371,859.97
Water Sold 34,102,979 Gallons	<u>159,113.94</u>
	\$ 1,530,973.91
Water Pumped 41,544,450 Gallons	
Power Purchased – 10,533,365 kWh	

## NEW BUSINESS

### FORMAL APPOINTMENT OF BEN COLLINS AS GENERAL MANAGER, AND ALTERNATE DIRECTOR TO THE WPPI ENERGY BOARD OF DIRECTORS; AND ACTION THEREON

General Manger Emeritus Dale Lythjohan and the Commission welcomed Ben Collins.

A motion was made by Patricia Thome, seconded by Joe Dorr, to appoint Ben Collins as General Manager, and to name Ben Collins as Alternate Director to WPPI Energy Board of Directors. Motion carried.

### UPDATE ON LEAD SERVICE REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Water Superintendent Tim Martin gave an update on the lead service replacement project. Phase One of the program has been completed with approximately 120 replacements. Tim discussed the costs covered by the grant funding, costs not covered by grant funding, and future funding updates. Phase Two will begin next week at the Cedarburg Woolen Mill on Washington and Bridge, and the replacements will continue north on Washington and will include about 45 replacements.

### CITY COUNCIL, MANAGER AND DEPARTMENT REPORTS

The Manager & Department Reports were provided to the commissioners in advance of the meeting. The full reports can be reviewed in the electronic commission packet.

#### **Electric Update:**

- Outages
  - 2022 Electric Service Outages to date: 13
  - 2021 year-end total → 14
  - 2020 year-end total → 12
  - 2019 year-end total → 20
  - 2018 year-end total → 11

#### **Water Update:**

- Liquid Engineering Corp. will be cleaning out the million gallon reservoir and the 50,000 gallon concrete reservoir at well #5. They will utilize SCUBA divers and a vacuum to complete this process. Both tanks will be drained in October to complete the DNR required tank inspections. "Empty tank" inspections are required once every 10 years.

- August Water Pumpage (Gallons)
  - 2022 = 41,544,450
  - 2021 = 49,026,740
  - 2020 = 49,860,780

**Office Update:**

- New electric rates will be in effect October 1. Customers will receive a new rate sheet with their November bill.
- Management is currently in the underwriting process to determine the surcharge to buy into the Wisconsin Public Employers' Group Health Insurance program (WPE). The 2023 rates have been published.
- The water rate application was filed with the PSC on 9/2/2022. CL&W is requesting a 4.5% rate of return, an estimated increase of 12.88%, as previously indicated in the cash flow model.

**APPROVAL OF BILLS**

The bills, as listed on the Check Register were audited, and a motion was made by Patricia Thome, seconded by Paul Radtke, to approve the bills for payment. Motion carried.

**ADJOURN**

A motion was made by Paul Radtke, seconded by Patricia Thome, to adjourn at 6:41 p.m. Motion carried.