

# OSAGE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Regular Meeting  
August 20, 2015 8:30 a.m.  
OMU Board Room

## 1) Call Meeting To Order, Roll Call, Recognize Guests

Meeting called to order at 8:30 a.m. by Chairman Tack.

Present: Royce Tack, Harlan Bremer, Jen Frein, Nan Jakobson, Tom Kenny, Rob Stangel, and Laura Kuennen. Absent: None. Guests: Mayor Steve Cooper, Joyce Ruehlow and Tim McCartan.

## 2) Public forum

None.

## 3) Communications

None.

## 4) Consent agenda

### a) Approve agenda

A motion (Bremer, Frein) was made and unanimously passed to approve the August 20, 2015 agenda.

### b) Approve minutes of previous meeting – July 23, 2015 and August 13, 2015

### c) Approve trade accounts

### d) Approve cash flow projections, financial statements, and energy reports

A motion (Kenny, Frein) was made and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2015 and August 13, 2015 meetings, trade accounts, cash flow projections, financial statements, and energy reports.

## 5) Departmental reports

### a) General Manager Report

OMU will hold an employee appreciation picnic on September 10<sup>th</sup> and Dairyland Power Coop will host its Municipal Appreciation Day on September 16<sup>th</sup>.

### b) Operations Report and Office Report

Operational reports for the plant, electric, gas and telecommunications departments as well as the office report were given.

## 6) Business items

a) A motion (Bremer, Jakobson) was made and unanimously passed to approve the 2014 Audit Report as presented by T.P. Anderson & Company, P.C.

b) A motion (Kenny, Bremer) was made and unanimously passed to approve a natural gas base rate adjustment that will take effect with the October 2015 meter reading.

c) A motion (Kenny, Jakobson) was made and unanimously passed to approve a proposal from Farabee Mechanical Inc. to install silencer/catalyst units on four OMU power plant generating units to fulfill National Emissions Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) requirements in accordance with Federal EPA standards.

- d) A motion (Tack, Bremer) was made and unanimously passed to approve an OMU solar project site, contingent upon the City's formal approval of the identified land to be used for this purpose.

**7) Other business**

- a) Joyce Ruehlow, on behalf of the Cedar Valley Seminary Committee, addressed the board regarding the plans to relocate the Seminary building in June of 2016. Ms. Ruehlow requested OMU's support related to the electric and gas service work that will be necessary to facilitate the project, to which the board agreed.
- b) Secretary Kuennen updated the board on the status of OMU's energy efficiency programs, including an analysis of the actual incentives issued to customers year-to-date compared to the 2015 budget.
- c) General Manger Stangel reviewed the current format of OMU's customer utility bills and payment terms with the board. No revisions to the current format will be made at this time.
- d) General Manager Stangel discussed OMU's natural gas firm capacity situation to include an analysis of upcoming additional requirements compared to current resources and the costs of adding additional firm capacity to the portfolio.
- e) Chairman Tack deferred the agenda item related to OMU solar project updates until the next board meeting.
- f) Trustee Bremer gave the CRC update to the board.

**8) Date of next meeting**

The next regular meeting is scheduled for September 17, 2015 at 8:30 a.m.

**9) Adjournment**

Chairman Tack declared the meeting adjourned at 12:02 p.m.