# OSAGE MUNICIPAL UTILITIES BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING

Regular Meeting September 17, 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: Jim Abben.

## 2) Public forum

None.

### 3) Communications

General Manager Stangel introduced the board to Jim Abben, who began working as a Telecom Technician Apprentice on July 27, 2015.

## 4) Consent agenda

a) Approve agenda

A motion (Frein, Jakobson) was made and unanimously passed to approve the September 17, 2015 agenda.

- b) Approve minutes of previous meeting August 20, 2015
- c) Approve trade accounts
- d) Approve cash flow projections, financial statements, and energy reports A motion (Bremer, Kenny) was made and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the August 20, 2015 meeting, trade accounts, cash flow projections, financial statements, and energy reports.

### 5) Departmental reports

### a) General Manager Report

The Cedar Bluff/Ridge gas & telecom service expansion is nearing completion. Installation of gas services is expected to begin in the next week. Old utility poles will be recycled with the Mitchell County Conservation Board. Coordination has continued with the Cedar Valley Seminary Foundation regarding the Seminary move and energy conservation code standards to hookup utilities at the new location once renovated.

### 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 (Kenny, Jakobson) was made and unanimously passed to determine a revenue surplus based on 2014 audited financial information and to approve the annual contribution to the CRC in the amount of \$100,000.
- **b)** A motion (Frein, Jakobson) was made and unanimously passed to approve the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2015 list of bad debts.

### 7) Other business

- a) General Manager Stangel updated the board on progress made toward getting an agreement in place with the City of Osage related to land identified for OMU's solar project use. Additional communications will be made with the City's Utility Committee and the City Council in continuing to move forward on this issue.
- b) Trustee Bremer had no new CRC updates to share with the board.

#### 8) Date of next meeting

The next regular meeting is scheduled for October 22, 2015 at 8:30 a.m. with a strategic planning session to follow immediately after the regular board meeting.

### 9) Adjournment

Chairman Tack declared the meeting adjourned at 10:05 a.m.