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## ELECTRIC COMMITTEE MEETING (Blaies/Albers/Heap/Meehling) Wednesday, September 14, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting of the Electric Committee was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 14, 2022 by Chairperson Mike Blaies. Committee members present were Chairman Mike Blaies, Trustee Denise Albers, Trustee Mike Heap, Trustee Lisa Meehling, Mayor Seth Speiser, Village Clerk Jerry Menard (absent), Trustee Bob Kaiser, Trustee Ray Matchett, Public Works Director John Tolan, Police Chief Mike Schutzenhofer, Head Lineman Shane Krauss, Zoning Administrator Matt Trout, Village Attorney Fred Keck (absent), Village Administrator Tony Funderburg and Office Manager Julie Polson. Guest present: Janet Baechle. There were no guests present via Zoom.

### A. OLD BUSINESS:

1. Approval of August 10, 2022 Minutes: Trustee Denise Albers motioned to recommend to the full Board approval of the August 10, 2022 minutes, and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.
2. Customer Issues: Head Lineman Shane Krauss reported outages on August 12<sup>th</sup> – a transformer went out on Apple St., affecting a single customer for a short outage; August 28<sup>th</sup> – a tree limb came down during a storm and took down the wires affecting three customers; September 5<sup>th</sup> – a fuse holder burnt up on West and Cedar Lane affecting 25-30 customers for a short time, and about 10 customers were out for a couple of hours; and we had a partial outage on Temple affecting a single customer for a connection that went bad.
3. IMEA Energy Efficiency Grant: Nothing new to report.
4. Generator Upgrades: Shane said Chuck has received the final part, and we will start the upgrade work on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will be out of service during this time, and Chuck thinks the work will take about two weeks per plant. Shane confirmed we are taken off the availability list during that time.

### B. NEW BUSINESS:

1. Money Market Funds to Invest into CDs: Treasurer Bryan Vogel advised the last six CDs were not renewed and placed into our money market account. He is seeking approval to go out to bid for CD purchases. The six CDs total \$718,665.54, and he would like to invest no more than \$720,000. He will request bids from First National Bank of Waterloo, Bank of Belleville and Citizen's Bank. Tony would like the term to be no less than 3 years.

*Trustee Denise Albers motioned to recommend to the full Board to go out to bid in an amount not to exceed \$720,000 in investments, and Trustee Lisa Meehling seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*

Shane has taken delivery on the transformer for the west plant and started the process of finding the wire to tap into to feed that. The conduit has been dug over to where the new transformer will be located. Guarantee has poured the pad for the new one, and we will need a planned outage to complete this work.

Shane has a resident on Ameren power but would like to switch over to ours. Tony advised the online code will be updated very soon, and that resident can switch over but he would have to pay the costs of the materials. Shane will review the situation with Matt and check the fire and building codes of St. Clair County. Matt advised the property at Barber Lane and Cemetery Road is going to annex in and subdivide the parcels into 5-acre lots. Matt discussed the infrastructure costs with the representative.

**C. GENERAL CONCERNS:** None.

**D. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:** None.

**E. ADJOURN:** *Trustee Lisa Meehling motioned to adjourn at 5:50 p.m., and Trustee Mike Heap seconded the motion. All voting yea, the motion carried.*



Julie Polson  
Office Manager