

Tuesday, May 16, 2023

The regular meeting of the Board of Trustees for Greenfield Municipal Utilities was called to order at 8:00 a.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall by Chairperson Mike Ladd.

Roll was called and those present were Trustees Jessi Christensen, David Cooper and Mike Ladd. Also present were General Manager Scott Tonderum, Office Administrator Jessica Foster, Mayor Jimmie Schultz and Jeff Clayton.

Absent: none

Christensen motioned seconded by Cooper to approve the agenda. Ayes: Christensen, Cooper and Ladd; motion carried.

Christensen motioned seconded by Cooper to approve the minutes from the April 11th meeting. Ayes: Christensen, Cooper and Ladd; motion carried.

The overtime report was reviewed.

Financial reports were reviewed.

Motion by Christensen seconded by Cooper to approve the claims as presented:

741	IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL	WATER EXAM FEES/CERTIFICATES	\$151.50
742	IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL	WATER EXAM FEES	\$61.50
28110	ADVANTAGE ADMINISTRATORS	APR FSA ADMIN FEE	\$56.70
28111	DELTA DENTAL OF IOWA	MAY DENTAL INSURANCE	\$1,077.96
28112	GRNFLD MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	MARCH FUEL	\$538.79
28113	MADISON NATIONAL LIFE	MAY LIFE INSURANCE	\$222.60
28114	MAIL SERVICES LLC	MARCH BILLING	\$717.71
28115	PATHIAN ADMINISTRATORS	MAY VISION INSURANCE	\$261.99
28116	STITCHES & BOWS	EMBROIDERY-EMP CLOTHING	\$149.80
28117	US POSTAL SERVICE	ENVELOPES	\$1,545.10
28118	WELLMARK	MAY HEALTH INSURANCE	\$9,164.74
28102	MISSIONSQUARE - 304267	457K ANNUITY	\$3,498.46
28103	ADVANTAGE ADMINISTRATORS	FLEX SPENDING	\$357.32
6004508	IPERS	IPERS	\$8,513.07
6004509	TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	STATE TAXES	\$2,068.74
6004510	UNION STATE BANK	FED/FICA TAX	\$5,981.22
28119	ADVANTAGE ADMINISTRATORS	FLEX BENEFITS CONTRIBUTION	\$355.00
28120	PETTY CASH	PETTY CASH	\$65.54
28121	TRISTAR BENEFIT ADMIN	SELF FUNDING/HEALTH	\$81.52
28122	US CELLULAR	METERING COMMUNICATION	\$155.20
28123	VERIZON WIRELESS	CELL PHONE SERVICE	\$103.92
28124	WINDSTREAM	TELEPHONE SERVICE	\$281.09
740	IOWA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL	WASTEWATER EXAM FEES	\$31.50
28125	AMERICAN LEGION POST 265	FLAG	\$30.00
28126	MEDIACOM BUSINESS	INTERNET SERVICES	\$276.90
28127	TRISTAR BENEFIT ADMIN	SELF FUNDING/HEALTH	\$164.50
743	TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	ELECTRIC SALES TAX	\$8,168.60
744	TREASURER - STATE OF IOWA	APRIL WET TAX	\$3,403.67
28129	MISSIONSQUARE - 304267	457K ANNUITY	\$3,645.22
28130	ADVANTAGE ADMINISTRATORS	FLEX SPENDING	\$357.32

6004511	UNION STATE BANK	FED/FICA TAX	\$6,504.99
745	SIMECA	APRIL PURCHASED ENERGY	\$148,696.43
28131	ADAIR CO SECONDARY ROADS	FUEL	\$1,336.11
28132	ADVANTAGE ADMINISTRATORS	MAY FSA ADMIN FEE	\$63.00
28133	AFLAC	SUPPLEMENTAL INSURANCE	\$216.45
28134	AIR-MACH INC.	ANNUAL MAINTENANCE-WTP & DGP	\$941.00
28135	ALLIANT ENERGY/IPL	GAS BILL	\$480.67
28136	BOK FINANCIAL	SERIES 2012 WATER REV	\$59,527.50
28137	BOOT BARN, INC	EMPLOYEE CLOTHING	\$2,173.28
28138	BORDER STATES ELECTRIC SUPPLY	ELECTRIC SUPPLIES	\$12,354.76
28139	CENTRAL IA READY MIX	CONCRETE	\$2,497.50
28140	CHEM-SULT, INC	CHEMICALS	\$4,408.54
28141	CITY OF GREENFIELD	APRIL SEWER FEES	\$76,291.39
28142	PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCOUNT	SUPPLIES	\$146.00
28143	CRESTON PUBLISHING COMPANY	PUBLICATION	\$344.48
28144	DGR ENGINEERING	DIESEL GEN-ENG-3/31/23	\$220.00
28145	FAREWAY STORES	SUPPLIES	\$179.60
28146	FLOMOTION SYSTEMS INC	PUMP HOSE	\$894.00
28147	GFLD TRUE VALUE	SUPPLIES	\$161.51
28148	GRAINGER	SOLENOID VALVES	\$230.90
28149	GREENFIELD WIND POWER LLC	APRIL PURCHASED ENERGY	\$34,269.89
28150	GRNFLD LUMBER CO	SUPPLIES	\$247.76
28151	GRNFLD MUNICIPAL UTILITIES	UTILITY BILLS	\$7,670.70
28152	GRNFLD OIL COMPANY	TIRE REPAIR	\$20.00
28153	HOWARD R GREEN COMPANY	WATER ENGINEERING SERVICES	\$1,226.50
28154	IOWA ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL	SGCIS-APR/MAY/JUNE 2023	\$1,593.20
28155	IOWA ONE CALL	LOCATES	\$42.30
28156	IXOM WATERCARE, INC	SOLARBEE MAINTENANCE	\$11,900.00
28157	J & L TRUCK REPAIR, LLC	TRUCK REPAIR	\$200.00
28158	JACOBSEN INC OF ADAIR	3HP 460V 3PH MOTOR	\$993.00
28159	JESSICA FOSTER	MILEAGE	\$66.03
28160	JOHN GRUSS	MINI SPLIT - GM OFFICE	\$3,997.55
28161	O'HALLORAN INTERNATIONAL	PARTS	\$177.94
28162	SCHILDBERG CONSTRUCTION CO	ROCK	\$403.71
28163	SKY VOLT, INC	APRIL PURCHASED ENERGY	\$4,073.45
28164	STATE HYGENIC LABORATORY	WATER TESTING	\$137.50
28165	TRUCK EQUIPMENT, INC	REPAIR	\$615.07
28166	VISA	MISC	\$216.71
28167	WALLACE AUTO SUPPLY	SUPPLIES	\$95.75
TOTAL EXPENDITURES			\$437,102.35
TOTAL REVENUES			\$545,930.98

Ayes: Christensen, Cooper and Ladd; motion carried.

Motion by Cooper seconded by Christensen to approve the updates to GMU Employee Manual Exhibit A. This update adds a section to incentivize water employees who are participating in the electric lineman apprenticeship program similar to electric employees who have water licenses. Ayes: Christensen, Cooper and Ladd; motion carried.

Motion by Cooper seconded by Christensen to approve the scholarship committees recommendation of 2023 scholarship awards of \$1,000 to Hope Kading, \$500 to Doug Berg and \$500 to Madison Long. Ayes: Christensen, Cooper and Ladd; motion carried.

Foster and Christensen reviewed recommended updates to the GMU Scholarship program for future use. Motion by Christensen seconded by Cooper to approve the updates as recommended. Ayes: Christensen, Cooper and Ladd; motion carried.

Motion by Cooper seconded by Christensen to approve the annual update of GMU's Electric Reliability Plan. Ayes: Christensen, Cooper and Ladd; motion carried.

Tonderum reviewed proposed rate changes with the board. Motion by Christensen seconded by Cooper to approve an average 12% electric rate increase (this will offset the Power Cost Adjustment which has been averaging 12% over the last few months) and an average 15% water rate increase. Preliminary customer estimations project an overall 3-5% increase to the average customer's monthly utility bill. Ayes: Christensen, Cooper and Ladd; motion carried.

There were no formal customer or guest comments.

MANAGEMENT REPORT:

Several employees have taken and passed water license tests in the last month with some scheduled to take the next step in the near future. GMU continues to help Fontanelle and Orient as needed. Tonderum reported on several repairs needed in the near future at the North Generation Plant. The crew has gotten started working on the water line project on NE Hayes St and will move to NE Grant St when finished. Erin Ford and Troy Browning have been hired as summer help for 2023.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 a.m.

Chairperson, Mike Ladd

Attest: _____
Jessica Foster, Office Administrator