# COLUMBUS WISCONSIN

# **Utility Commission Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, July 15, 2025 at 5:15 PM

Columbus City Hall – 105 N. Dickason Boulevard

## Call to Order

Michael Thom called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

### Roll Call

The following members were present: Molly Finkler, Michael Thom, Reagan Rule. Brook Andler, Sandy Curtis and Jack Sanderson. Joe Hammer was excused from attending the meeting.

#### **Notice of Open Meeting**

Noted as posted.

#### **Approval of Agenda**

Motion made by Finkler, seconded by Rule to approve the agenda. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

#### **Public Comment**

There was no public comment.

#### **Convene to Closed Session**

1. Convene to closed session per §19.85(1)(b) considering dismissal, demotion, licensing or discipline of any public employee or person licensed by a board or commission or the investigation of charges against such person, or considering the grant or denial of tenure for a university faculty member, and the taking of formal action on any such matter; provided that the faculty member or other public employee or person licensed is given actual notice of any evidentiary hearing which may be held prior to final action being taken and of any meeting at which final action may be taken. The notice shall contain a statement that the person has the right to demand that the evidentiary hearing or meeting be held in open session. This paragraph and par. (f) do not apply to any such evidentiary hearing or meeting where the employee or person licensed requests that an open session be held; per § 19.85(1)(c) to consider employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility, and per §19.85(1)(f) preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems. Specifically, to discuss possible consideration of removal of the Utility Director. There is no evidentiary hearing.

Motion by Finkler, seconded by Rule to convene to closed session. Motion was carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

#### **Reconvene to Open Session**

Motion by Finkler, seconded by Curtis to reconvene to open session. Motion was carried on a unanimous roll call vote.

#### **New Business**

2. Consider and take action pursuant to Wis. Stat. 17.12(1)(c)2.a on the appointment removal at pleasure and employment status of the Utility Director.

Motion by Finkler, seconded by Rule to approve the removal of the Utility Director.

Voting Yea: Finkler, Thom, Rule, Andler, Curtis, Sanderson

#### Adjourn

Motion by Sanderson, seconded by Finkler to adjourn at 5:54 pm. Motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

\*A quorum of city committees and/or commissions may be present at this meeting. No action will be taken or considered by those committees and/or commissions.