



Utility Commission Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 20, 2026 at 6:00 PM

Columbus City Hall – 105 N. Dickason Boulevard

Call to Order

President Michael Thom called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Roll Call

The following members were present: Michael Thom, Lori Koenig-Fry, Brook Andler, Molly Finkler, Sandy Curtis, and Jack Sanderson. Joe Hammer was an excused absence.

Notice of Open Meeting

The meeting was noted as posted.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Finkler, seconded by Curtis to approve the agenda. Motion passed on a unanimous voice vote.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Consent Agenda

Motion made by Finkler, seconded by Koenig-Fry to approve the consent agenda. Motion passed on a unanimous roll call vote.

1. Approval of the July 16th Utility Commission Minutes.
2. Approve Utility Departments Cash Disbursement Report and Accounts Payable Report.
3. Outage Reports.

New Business

4. 2025 Utility Audit Presentation by Baker Tilly Virchow Krause, LLP CPA Director Dan La Haye.
Dan La Haye presented the audit report and answered questions from the Commission. No action was taken on this item.
5. Consider and take action on the funding for the Storm Water Utility.
Jason Lietha provided a presentation and answered questions from the commission.
Motion by Sanderson, seconded by Finkler to recommend option 2 and charge via the utility bill.
Motion carried on a unanimous roll-call vote.
6. Consider and take action on the Substation 2 (Water Street) Transformer Purchase.
Motion by Finkler, seconded by Andler, to award MC Sales/Waukesha \$1,868,226 for transformer purchase, pending City Attorney review. Motion carried on a unanimous roll-call vote.

7. Consider and take action on Electric Lead Lineman proposed updated wage scale.

Motion by Fry, seconded by Curtis, to approve the Electric Lead Lineman wage scale recommendation of \$56.67-60.95. Motion passed on a unanimous roll-call vote.

8. Consider, discuss and take possible action on email sent from Fall River Village President on July 30, 2026, regarding the outstanding arrears owed to Columbus Utilities .

No action was taken on this item.

Reports

9. Director's Report Outline.

Randy Myrum provided the Director's Report.

10. August 2026 Live Lines.

Adjourn

Motion by Sanderson, seconded by Finkler, to adjourn at 8:11 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.