

**GRAND RAPIDS  
PUBLIC UTILITIES**  
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## **GRAND RAPIDS PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION REGULAR WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES**

**Wednesday, October 26, 2022**

**8:00 AM**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Pursuant to due notice and call thereof, a Special Meeting of the Grand Rapids Public Utilities Commission will be held on Wednesday, October 26, 2022 at 8:00 AM in the conference room of the Public Works/Public Utilities Service Center at 500 SE 4th Street, Grand Rapids, Minnesota.

Commissioner Rick Blake called the meeting to order at 8:04 AM.

### **CALL OF ROLL:**

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Rick Blake, Commissioner Nancy Saxhaug, Commissioner Rick Smith

**ABSENT WITH NOTICE:** President Tom Stanley, Secretary Luke Francisco

Also present: General Manager Julie Kennedy, Business Services Manager Jean Lane, Electric Department Manager Jeremy Goodell, Water/Wastewater Department Manager Steve Mattson, Administrative/HR Assistant Carrie Jo Kruger, Dave Berg of Dave Berg Consulting.

### **BUSINESS:**

1. Consider a motion to approve \$205,125.30 of verified claims for September and October 2022.

**Motion made by Commissioner Saxhaug, Seconded by Commissioner Smith to approve \$205,125.30 of verified claims for September and October 2022.**

**Motion carried by the following vote:**

**Voting Yea: Commissioner Blake, Commissioner Saxhaug, Commissioner Smith**

2. Rate Study Discussion

Dave Berg of Dave Berg Consulting presented information regarding the rate study and answered questions from the Commission.

3. Vegetation Management Policy revisions

Electric Department Manager Jeremy Goodell presented information regarding vegetation management and tree trimming. We encourage customers to call in. The existing policy is very old. An updated policy will be presented at a later date.

4. Review draft Water Wastewater policy

Water / Wastewater Department Manager Steve Mattson presented a draft Water/Wastewater Policy to the Commission. This was previously section 5 of a larger policy. The old policy will be rescinded.


ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 AM.

The next Regular Meeting of the Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, November 9, 2022 at 4:00 PM in the conference room of the Public Works/Public Utilities Service Center at 500 SE 4th Street.

The next Regular Work Session is scheduled for Tuesday, November 29, 2022 at 8:00 AM in the conference room of the Public Works/Public Utilities Service Center at 500 SE 4th Street. Please note - this meeting will likely run until 10:30 AM.

Richard W. Blake

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Julie", written in a cursive style.