



# UTILITIES COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

City of New Prague

Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 3:30 PM

Power Plant - 300 East Main St

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Commission Vice President Chuck Nickolay on Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 3:34 p.m.

Commissioners Present: Charles Nickolay, Paul Busch and Bruce Wolf

Commissioners Absent: Dan Bishop and Tom Ewert

Staff Present: General Manager Bruce Reimers, Finance Director Robin Pikal and EOS Ken Zweber

Others Present: Rebecca Kurtz with Ehlers and Sofia Lykke with Kutak Rock.

## 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion made by Commissioner Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Busch, to approve the agenda as presented.

Motion carried (3-0)

## 3. SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Commission presented Cole Rezac a \$1000 scholarship that was sponsored by New Prague's Wholesale Power Supplier (SMMPA). Cole will be attending NDSU majoring in Electrical and Computer Engineering.

## 4. PARAMETERS RESOLUTION FOR WES BONDING

a. Resolution #UC-26-05-26-01 - Providing for the Issuance and Sale of Electric Revenue Bonds, Series 2026A

Staff, along with consultants from Kutak Rock and Ehlers Advisors, reviewed the parameters resolution with the Commission and set tentative dates for the bonding process and bond sale.

Motion made by Commissioner Nickolay, seconded by Commissioner Busch, to approve the Parameters Resolution for WES Bonding.

Motion carried (3-0)

## 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. April 27, 2026 Utilities Meeting Minutes

Motion made by Commissioner Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Busch, to approve the April meeting minutes as presented.

Motion carried (3-0)

## 6. UTILITY AND SMMPA BILLS

a. Approval of accounts payable in the amount of **\$798,040.87** and the SMMPA billing of **\$424,151.53**.

Motion made by Commissioner Wolf, seconded by Commissioner Busch, to approve the accounts payable as presented.

Motion carried (3-0)

**7. FINANCIAL REPORTS**

- a. Investment Report
- b. Financial Report
- c. Water and Kilowatt Hours Sales

Motion made by Commissioner Nickolay, seconded by Commissioner Busch, to approve the financial reports as presented.

Motion carried (3-0)

**8. REVIEW OF 2025 AUDIT**

- a. Abdo Presentation
- b. NPUC Audited Financials
- c. 2025 Final Executive Governance Summary

Finance Director Pikal presented a review of the 2025 audit as information only. No action was needed as it had already been approved by the City Council.

**9. LEAD SERVICE LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT FUNDING RESOLUTION**

- a. Resolution #UC-26-05-26-02 - Application for Funding

Motion made by Commissioner Busch, seconded by Commissioner Wolf, to approve the funding resolution for the application for state funding for the lead service replacement project.

Motion carried (3-0)

**10. SMMPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

- a. April 8, 2026

GM Reimers informed the Commission of the following:

- SMMPA staff updated the board on future generation needs with the likely location to be Austin
- SMMPA staff is looking at making an offer to another city utility that is looking for a new wholesale provider

**11. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

GM Reimers informed the Commission on the following:

- Filter Plant #3 has been filled with water and is going through the process of being cleaned before being put back in service around June 1<sup>st</sup>.
- WES is progressing on schedule with steel structure being set the week of May 26<sup>th</sup>

**12. OTHER BUSINESS**

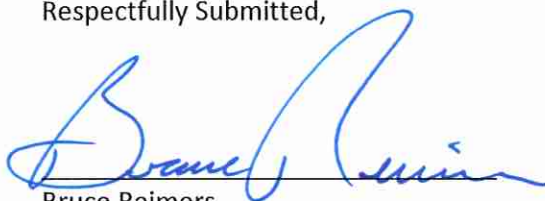
None

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Commissioner Nickolay, seconded by Commissioner Busch, to adjourn the May Commission meeting at 4:59 p.m.

Motion carried (3-0)

Respectfully Submitted,



Bruce Reimers  
General Manager